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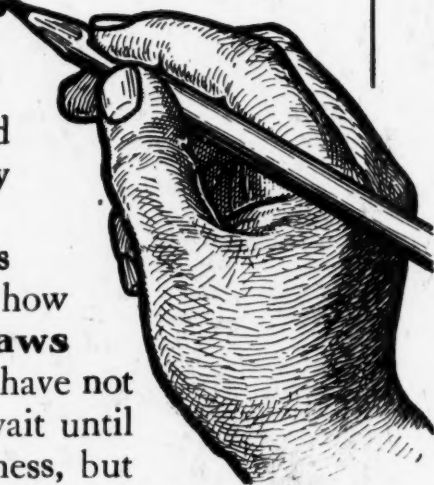


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E. C. Atkins & Co. Silver Steel



MANY readers of the American Carpenter and Builder have made up their minds that they are ready to buy **Atkins Silver Steel Saws**. We know this because every mail brings us letters from high class mechanics who write to tell us how much they are pleased with their **Silver Steel Saws** or to say that they are just about to buy one. If you have not bought yet, we wish to say *now is the time*. Don't wait until you stub your toe against the Spring rush of business, but order your **Silver Steel Saws** *now* while there is time to make a careful selection.

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SILVER STEEL—You ought to use a **Silver Steel Saw** because it will save you time and strength? Even if your boss *does* pay you for the time lost in filing the saw, don't you think you ought to use a saw that will run longest without re-filing. And if an **Atkins Silver Steel Saw** does not do this, take it back to your dealer and get your *money back*. That's simple. **Silver Steel** will hold its edge longest because we have discovered a formula for making steel which is far ahead of any other. If it isn't—remember—*money back*.

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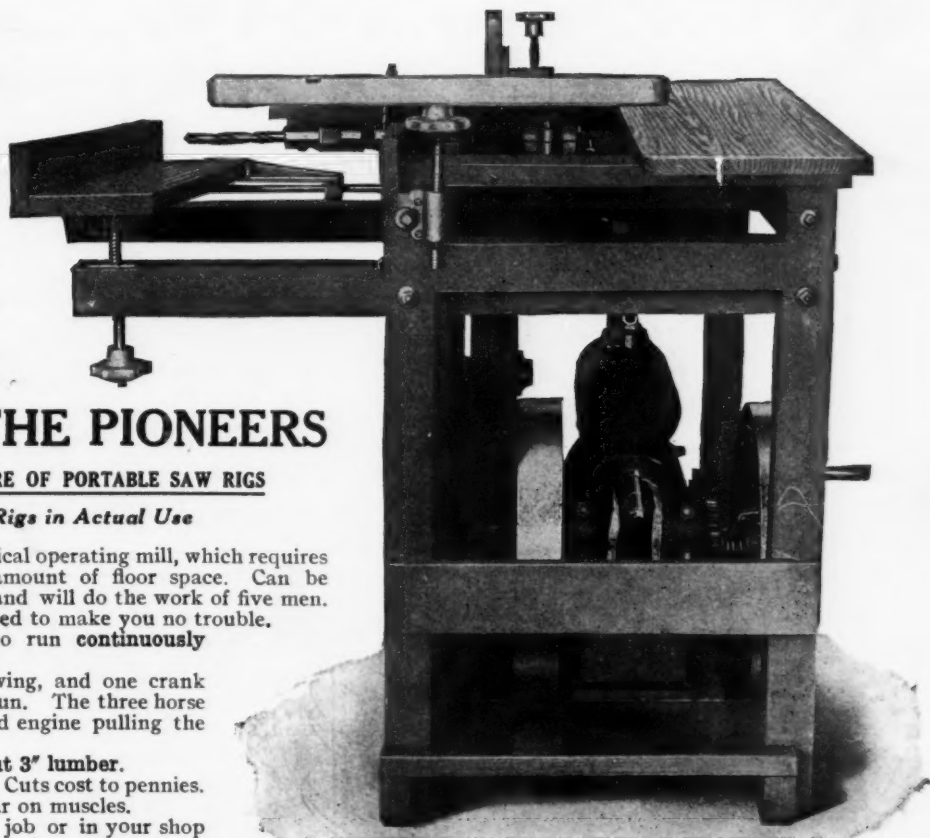
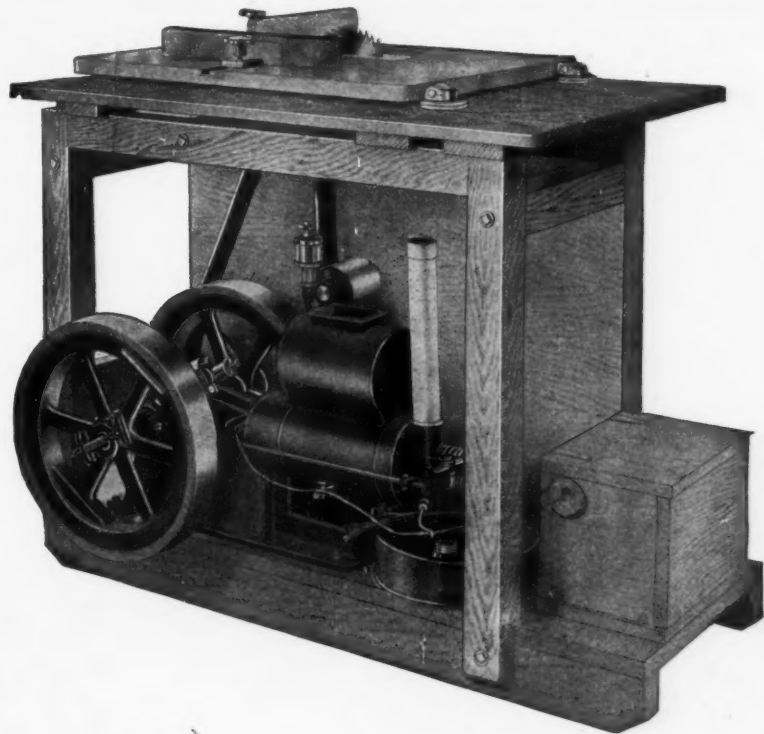
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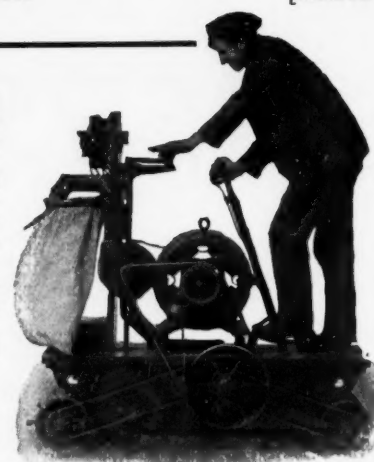
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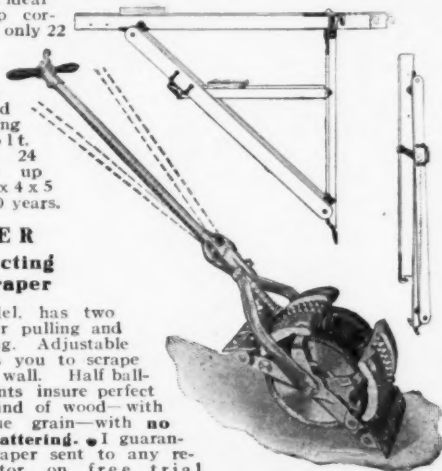
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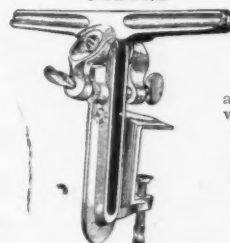


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holds the saw with rigid, unyielding grip, and is as nearly noise-preventive as such a tool can be made. Can be thumb-screwed to any plank or bench in an instant. When folded, it takes up no more room than a common hammer. Saves many an aching arm from using dull saws, and should be in every kit.



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Thanking you for your kindness in allowing me to try this machine and for extending the time for trial, I am,
Yours respectfully,
FRED L. WALTERS.

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Immediately after using the Scraper we have found it to be satisfactory and superior to any we have seen in use.
We herewith inclose draft in full for same.
Yours truly,
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per J. P. K.

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Gentlemen:—
After giving the three Floor Scrapers a trial we have decided that the "Daisy" is the one we want. Inclosed find draft in full for same.
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Days

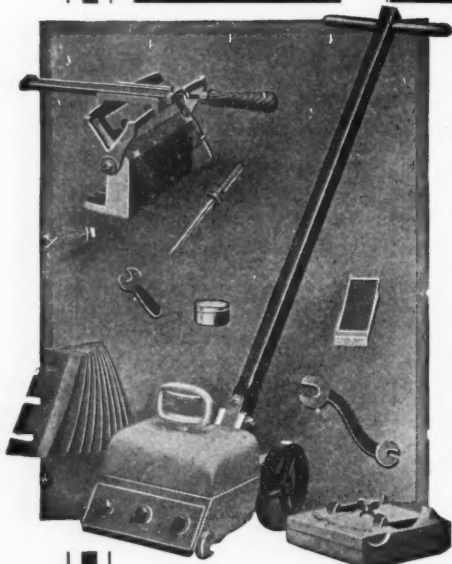
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THE DAISY MFG. CO., South Bend, Ind.



We will ship a "DAISY" Outfit to any responsible contractor who intends purchasing a floor scraper for a ten days free trial. Test it with others, if you do not find it best return it. The trial will not cost you a penny.

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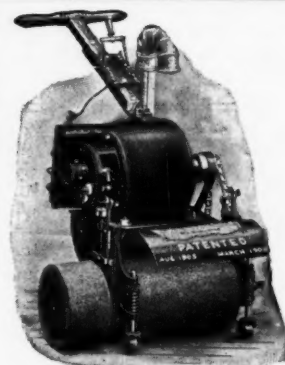
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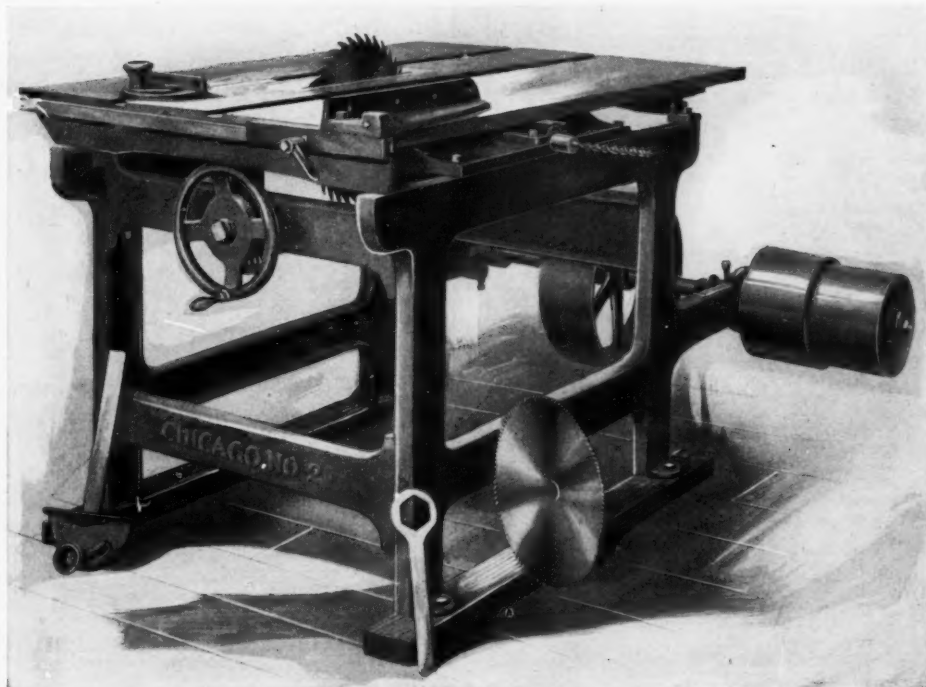
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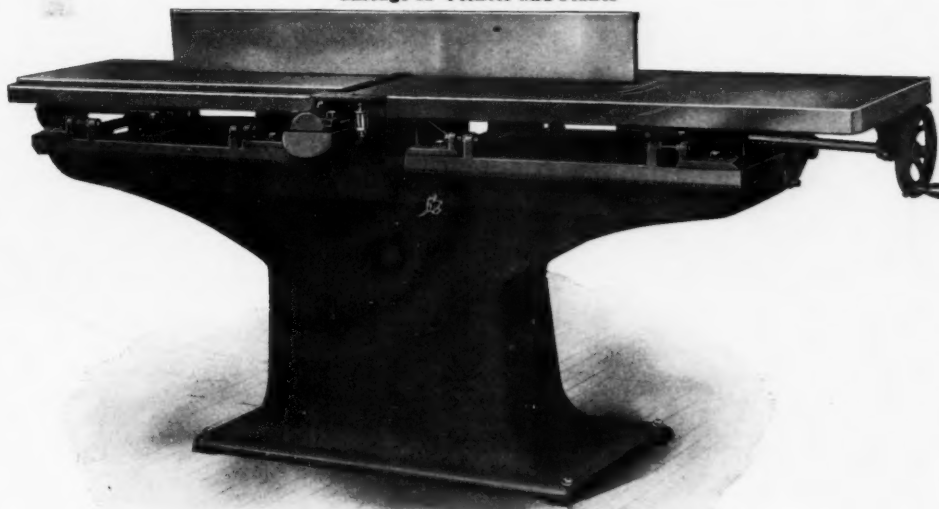
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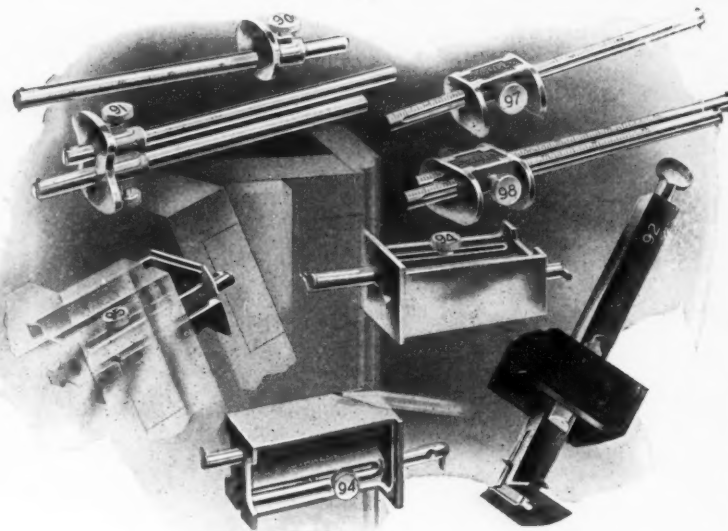
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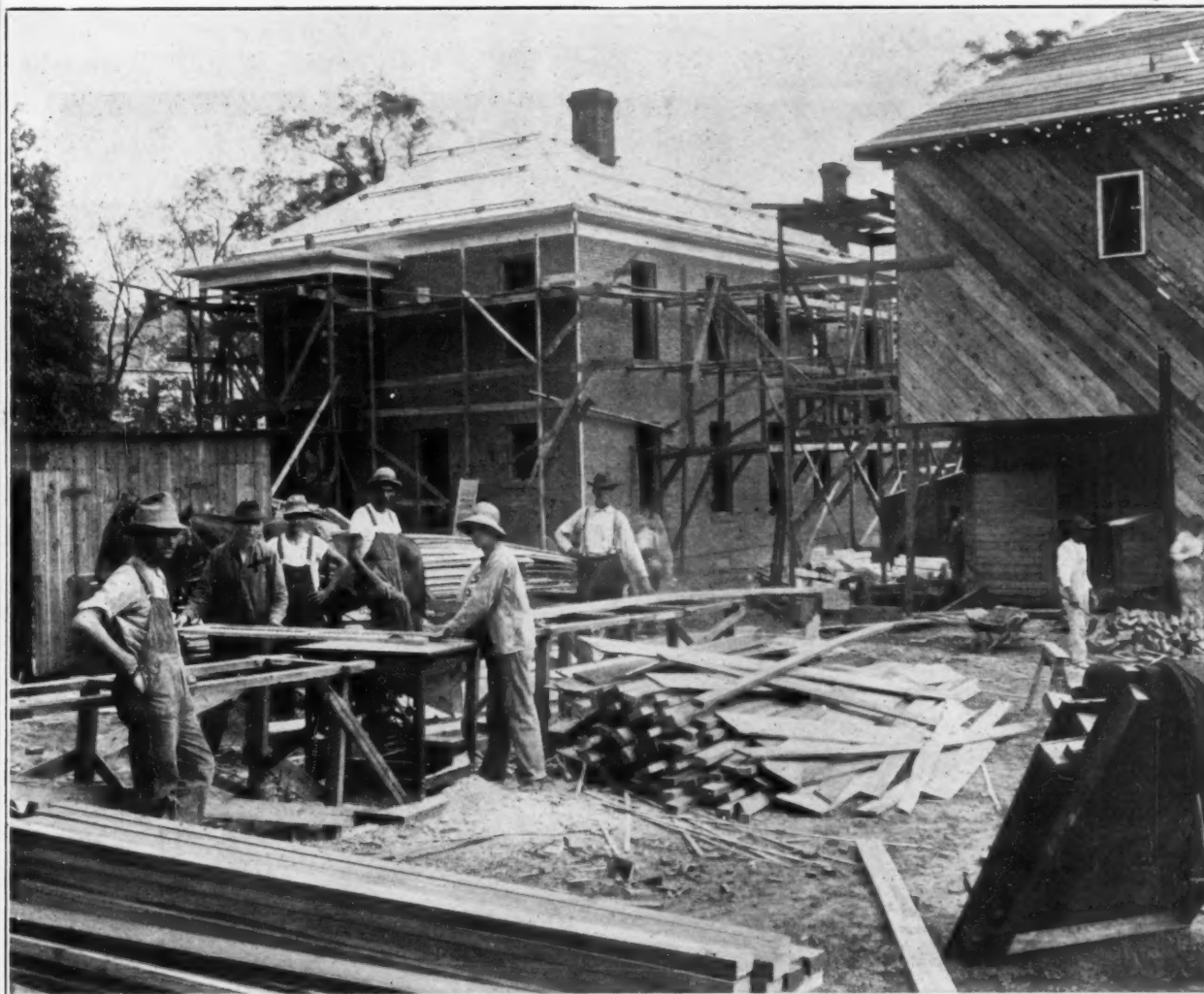
It has two steel bars—to one are affixed two steel cutters for use when gauging for doors with rabbeted jambs—this bar may be reversed for gauging from the casing (whether of the moulded form or flat), on doors which have a strike strip nailed on after the door is hung.

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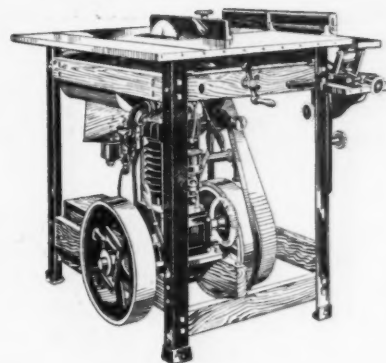
The machine I bought of you last May has been running like a "trooper" ever since. It actually saved me \$100.00 in mill work on the first job I used it, in about a month. Am using it now in my shop doing all kinds of work with it, from window frames to panel work. In ripping up scrap lumber and sawing bridging, it would pay to own one. If it was the last one to be had, money would not buy it from me. Very truly yours,

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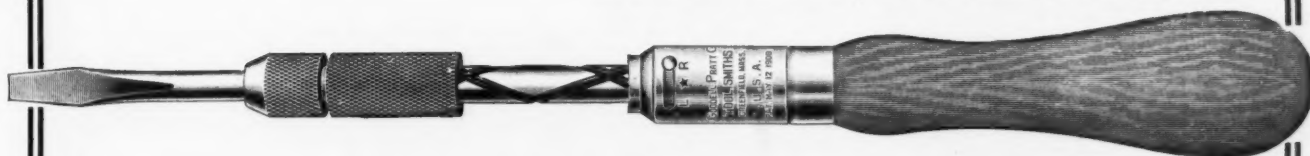
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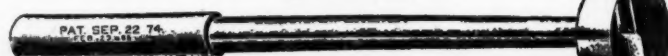
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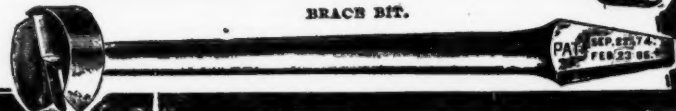
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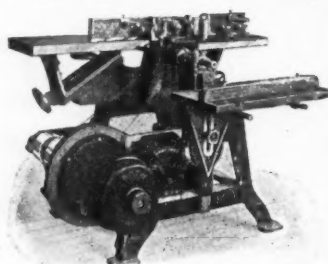
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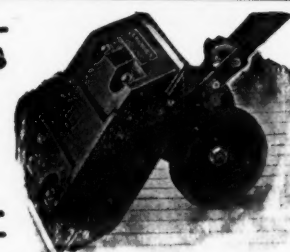
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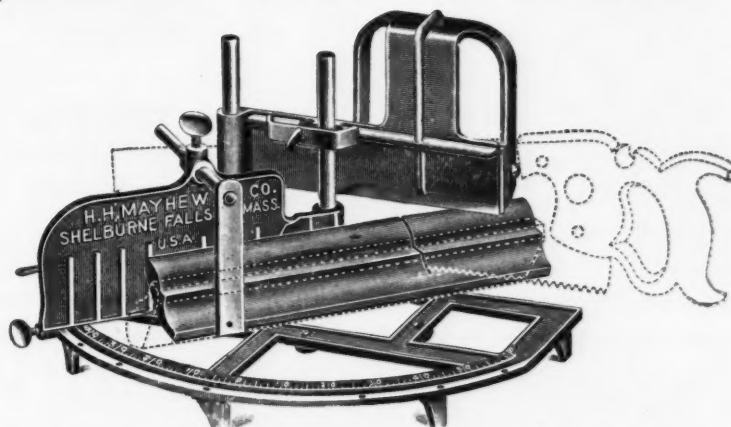
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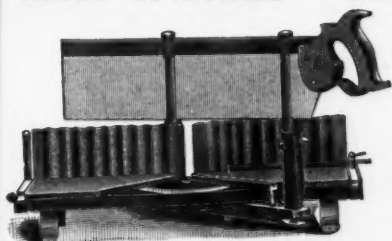
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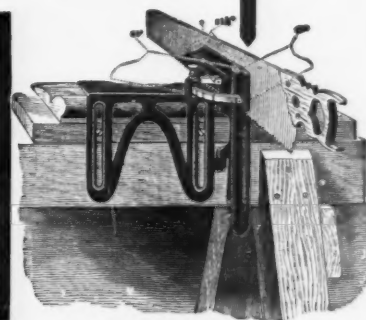
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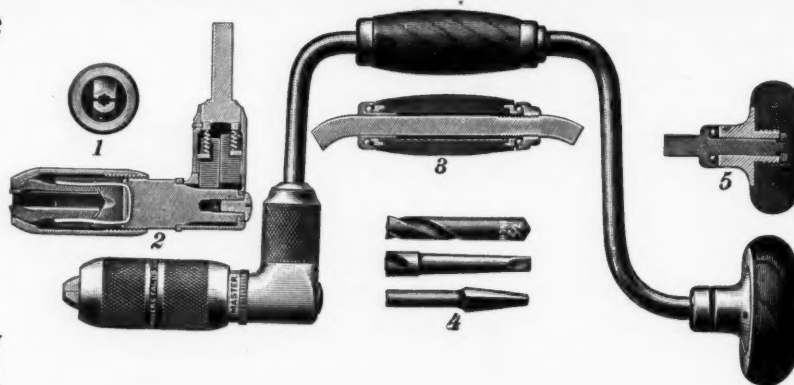
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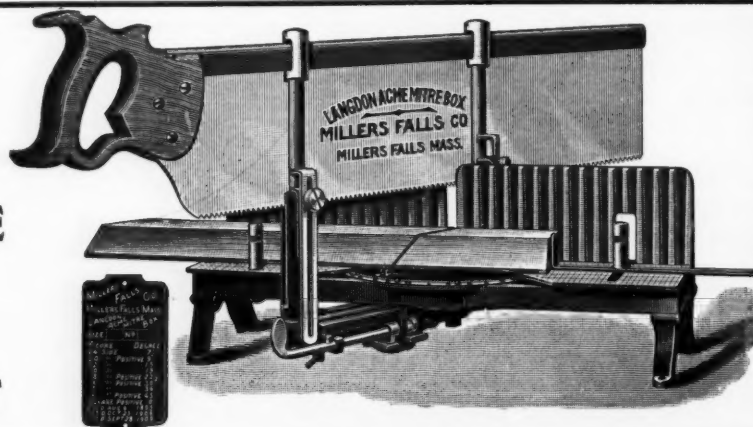
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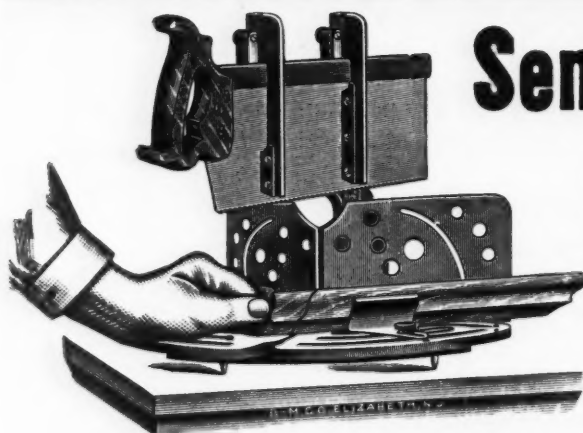


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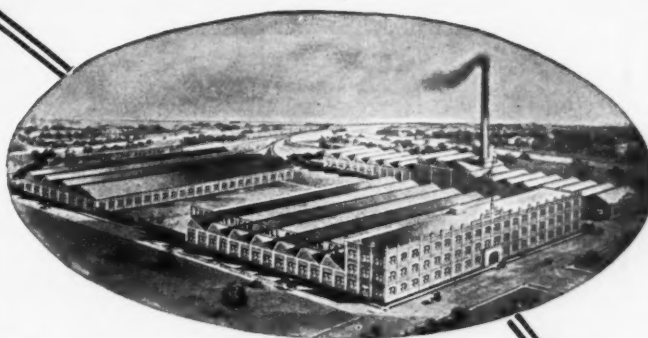


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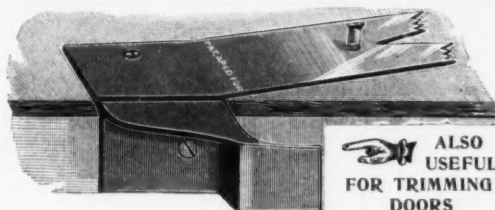
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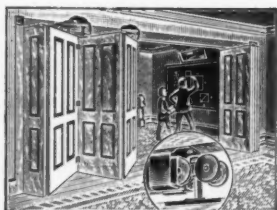
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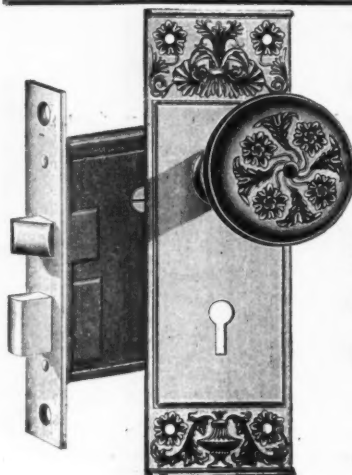
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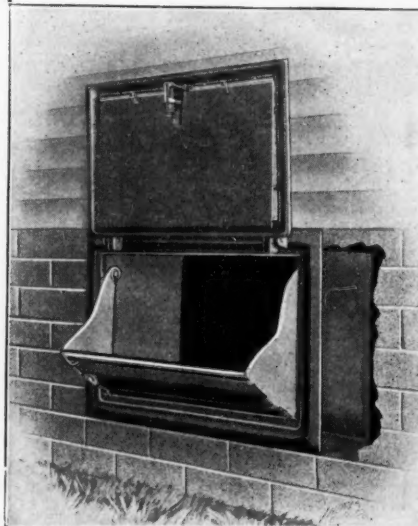
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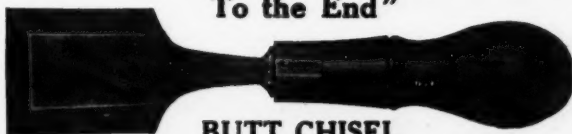
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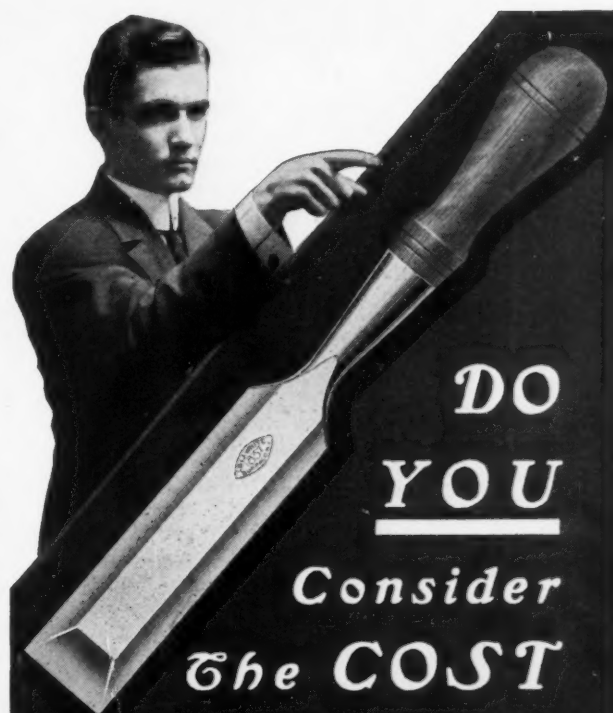
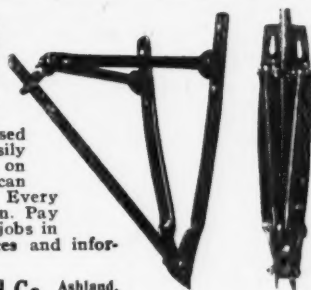
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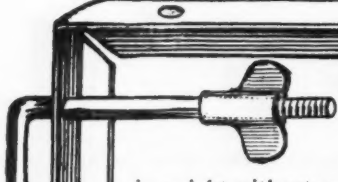
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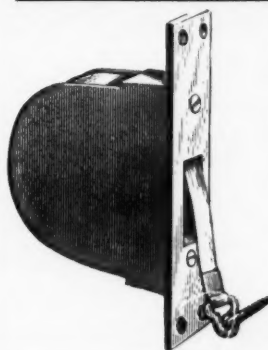
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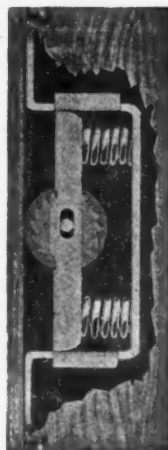
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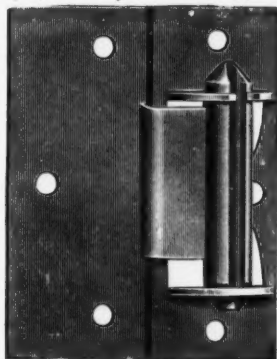
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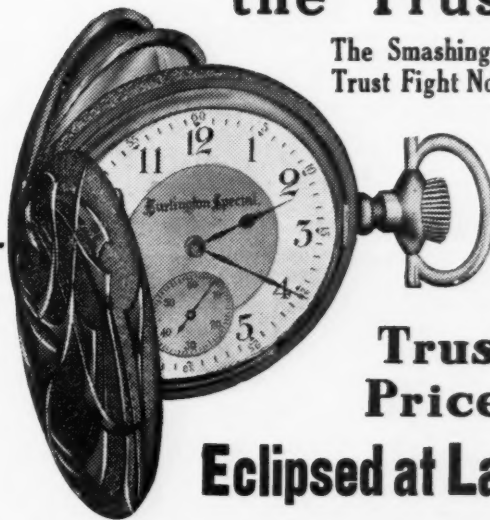
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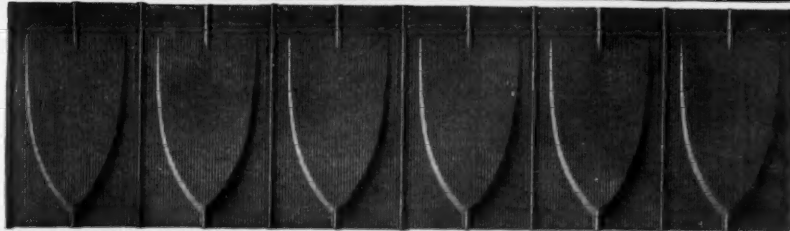
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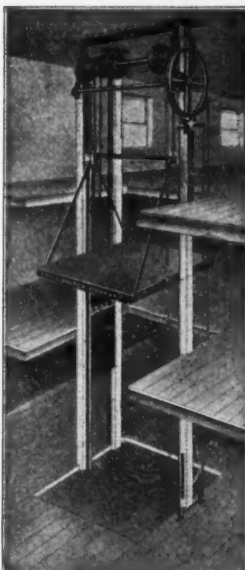
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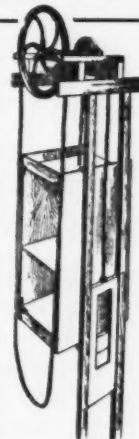
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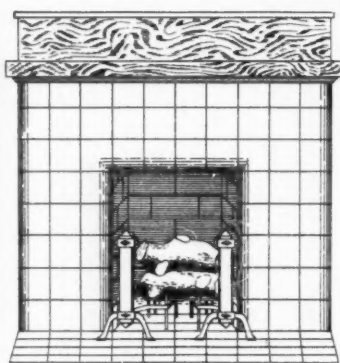
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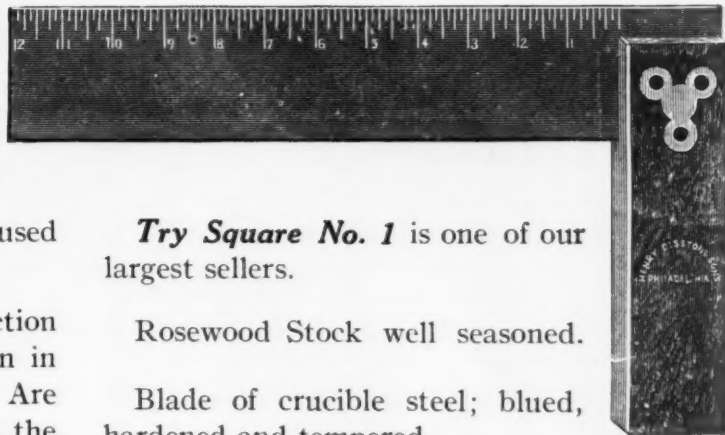
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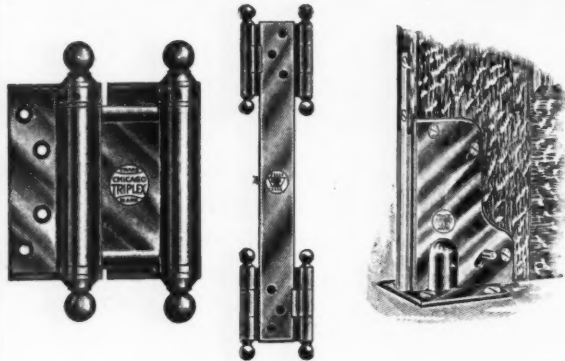
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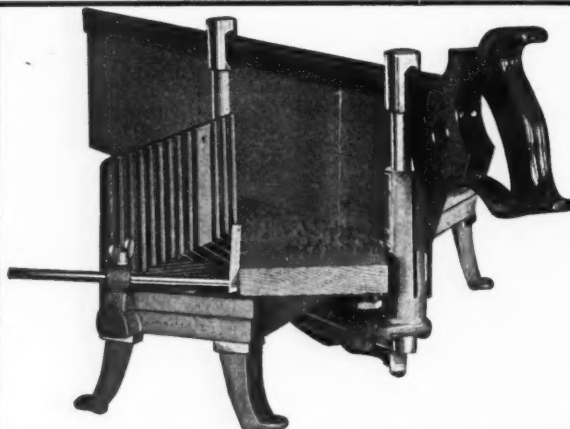
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A Fable for Builders

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The rains fell and the winds blew in the most biblical manner, and Winter came after its fashion. The chimney settled a little; and there was a tiny crack.

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By FRANKLIN H. WENTWORTH,
Secretary of the National Fire
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Care Needed in Concrete Work

THE Cleveland Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, the Cleveland Engineering Society and the Builders Exchange joined in appointing a committee to investigate the collapse of a four-story reinforced concrete building which was being erected for the Henke Furniture Co. of that city, November 22, 1910. The collapse was a disastrous one accompanied by the death of four persons and the injury of seven others. The commission paid nine visits to the ruins, held seventeen public sessions at which eighty-six witnesses were examined, besides twenty-eight private sessions.

The commission held that the initial failure was due to the premature removal of forms and supports in

the third story, and found that the architectural supervision was deficient, that the concrete used was of poor quality and not properly placed, while the owner and the city had a share in the responsibility for failure to watch the work and enforce the ordinances. The conclusion of the committee was that the collapse gave no reason to condemn the use of concrete in combination with steel, provided the concrete was composed of proper materials, accurately measured and thoroughly mixed; the steel sufficiently strong and properly placed; the work installed by competent contractors and workmen; and the specifications, drawings and construction properly executed under the direction of competent designers and inspectors.



Against the Narrow Building Lot

THE narrow building lot has drawn down upon itself a long merited rebuke in a recent issue of the *Improvement Bulletin*. At the same time some suggestions are made looking toward future betterment of building, and living, conditions in growing towns which we want to indorse.

It is suggested that if the various legislatures want to take up a topic which would work to the advantage of the communities they could find a line of work for their activities in passing a law to regulate the minimum widths of city and town lots which might be accepted for platting. The acceptance of plats with twenty-five and even narrower frontages for residence sections is simply a move to the encouragement of huddling houses close together; of inducing the development of slums; of increasing fire hazards, and of encouraging the things which are most objectionable in large communities.

The fire insurance companies have but recently removed the additional charge which they formerly levied upon buildings which were within a certain limit, so they now ask no more for the extra hazard of a building which is within a few feet of its adjacent neighbor than for another which is twenty or more feet separated. The wisdom of this move is very doubtful, and it would seem that in view of the heavy losses which have been sustained in the larger cities there should have been an additional charge levied rather than otherwise.

The legislatures are supposed to be seeking to make laws which work for the benefit of the communities, and this suggestion of making narrow lots in residence districts harder to acquire is one way in which better things can be done. Unfortunately, the damage is largely done. Plat after plat in most towns and cities have been accepted, with miserable little strips of ground, and some sections show houses huddled up nearly like sheep. Where there is no necessity for crowding up in this manner, except the desire to get as many pieces of real estate out of a block as possible, the thing should be stopped.



"Why," asked a Missouri newspaper, "does our State stand at the head in raising mules?" "Because," said an Iowa paper, "that is the only safe place to stand."

Candor in the Home

"Your sister's a long time about making her appearance," suggested the caller. "Well," said the little brother, "she'd be a sight if she came down without making it."—*Cleveland Leader*.

Anatomical

Artist—"Madam, it is not faces alone that I paint, it is souls."

Madam—"Oh, you do interiors, then?"—*Boston Transcript*.

On the Level

"Do you assimilate your food, aunty?"

"No, I doesn't, sah. I buys it open an honest, sah."—*Baltimore American*.

A Hero

Kicker—My great-grandfather carried that drum all through the Revolution.

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Easily Explained

"Do you understand this building loan scheme?"

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Boy Nature

"What's the matter, little boy?"

"M-maw's gone an' drowned all the kittens."

"Dear! dear! Now that's too bad."

"Yep, she p-promised—boo hoo!—'at I c'u'd do it."—*Harper's Weekly*.

Possibly So

After staring at the minister straight through the fish course, Adeline inquired: "Mamma, why is that man's hair so black when his beard is white?"

She was hushed by the stricken family, and stayed hushed until the salad was brought in.

Then she saw her chance. "I know," she said, "it's 'cause he uses his jaw more'n he does his head."—*Success*.

One Hundred Years of Portland Cement

AN ILLUSTRATED STORY OF THE ORIGINAL INVENTION AND THE FOUNDING OF THE GREAT MODERN CEMENT MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY

By Alfred Sidney Johnson*

Associate Editor of the "Cement World", (One of the Radford Publications)

ALTHOUGH not patented until October 21, 1824, it was in 1811—just one hundred years ago—that the first Portland cement was produced. It was the invention of Joseph Aspdin, a bricklayer living in the city of Leeds, in Yorkshire, England.

Portland cement ranks among the most important structural contributions ever made for the benefit of mankind. With its advent, there began the evolution of the modern Age of Concrete. It has come to be one of the most potent factors in this present day of wonderful engineering achievement, and from it the entire world is learning a new lesson of economic and hygienic regeneration.

And yet the inventor of this wonderfully versatile agent of construction attracted but little attention in his day and generation. It was not until some thirty years had passed after Aspdin's great discovery, that Portland cement secured any wide recognition of its merits and possibilities as a material of construction; so that during the lifetime of the inventor but little effort was made to keep systematic or accurate records that would

afford an authentic outline of his career or a connected history of the early years of the industry to which he gave the original impulse.

Probably the first formal treatise ever printed on the subject of Portland cement was an advertising booklet† issued in 1853 by William Aspdin, a son of the inventor, as head of the firm of Aspdin, Ord & Co., proclaiming the merits of Aspdin's "Patent Portland Cement," describing comparative tests of Portland and the so-called "Roman" cements, and giving directions as to methods of using Portland cement for various structural and ornamental purposes. This book incidentally throws considerable light of an authentic, "first-hand" character on the original invention of Portland cement, and on the early struggles of the industry to attain a substantial footing in the face of the not over-scrupulous methods of opposition adopted by its competitors. For portrait of the younger Aspdin, see Fig. 5.

Another document of great historical interest (see Fig. 2, page 30, in this number of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER) is the original Specification of

*In the search for data relating to the Aspdin home and family, the writer is indebted to His Honor, the Lord Mayor of Leeds, for kind assistance rendered.

†The text and illustrations of this booklet are reproduced in full, in Volume IV of "Radford's Cyclopedia of Cement Construction."



Fig. 1. OLDEST PORTLAND CEMENT PLANT IN THE WORLD

Built About 1830 by Joseph Aspdin, the Original Inventor of Portland Cement, on Ings Road, Wakefield. Here Mr. Aspdin Carried on the Manufacture of Portland Cement Until His Death in 1855. Part of the Old Kilns can be Seen at the Left

Joseph Aspdin, recorded in the British High Court of Chancery, December 15, 1824, as required by terms of the Letters Patent granted him under the royal seal on October 21 in the same year. The specification describes the inventor's method of making Portland cement and artificial stone.

Joseph Aspdin was born in 1778 or 1779, and was thus about 45 years old when he obtained his patent. At that time, and for some years previously, he had been living at No. 3 Princess Street (see Fig. 9), New Road End, in Leeds, the principal manufacturing city of Yorkshire. His trade was that of a bricklayer.

In 1825, shortly after obtaining his patent, Joseph Aspdin removed to Wakefield, nine miles south of Leeds, where he established the first factory ever erected for the manufacture of Portland cement. The original works were located near the bridge over the river Calder; but, after some years of operation, were pulled down to make way for a railroad, whereupon Aspdin erected a new plant on Ings Road. This plant, now long in disuse, is still standing, and is shown in Fig. 1. It is the oldest Portland cement plant in the world.

Joseph Aspdin had one daughter and two sons, James and William. Both sons were associated with him in the manufacture of cement, which he appears to have carried on in Wakefield until his death in 1855, after which his son James continued the business for some years. The earliest instance of the use of Portland ce-

ment in important construction work was in the building of the Thames tunnel in London about 1828. After careful tests, the eminent engineer, Sir Isambard

Brunel, who had in charge the building of the tunnel, adopted Aspdin's Portland cement as the chief material of construction.

The inability of the works at Wakefield to meet the growing demand for Portland cement caused William Aspdin, in 1843, to establish a plant at Rotherhithe, on the banks of the Thames, near London, in which he was associated with Messrs. Maude, Son & Co., and later with the firm of Maude, Jones & Aspdin. He also established, in 1848, the works at Northfleet, in Kent, of which the kilns shown in Fig. 6 are still standing. He was thus the leading pioneer in the Portland cement manufacturing industry in what is known as the Thames District; and the extent of his enterprise is further shown in the fact that in 1852 he took out a patent for an improved method of manufacturing Portland cement and in the same year we find him at the head of the firm of Aspdin, Ord & Company, controlling large works at Gateshead (Newcastle)-on-Tyne, in northern England (see Fig. 8), with extensive warehouses and wharfage facilities at Milbank, Westminster, on the bank of the Thames in London. At that time the firm confidently announced to the Engineers, Architects, Contractors, and Builders of England, that they were "in a position to meet almost any demand," as their manu-



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ASPDIN'S SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, JOSEPH ASPDIN, of Leeds, in the County of York, Bricklayer, send greeting.

WHEREAS His present most Excellent Majesty King George the Fourth, by His Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date at Westminster, the Twenty-first day of October in the fifth year of His reign, did, for Himself, His heirs and successors, give and grant unto me, the said Joseph Aspdin, His especial licence, that I, the said Joseph Aspdin, my exors, admors, and assigns, or such others as I, the said Joseph Aspdin, my exors, admors, and assigns, should at any time agree with, and no others, from time to time and at all times during the term of years therein expressed, should and lawfully might make, use, exercise, and vend, within England, Wales, and the Town of Berwick upon-Tweed, my Invention of "AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE MODES OF PRODUCING AN ARTIFICIAL STONE," in which said Letters Patent there is contained a proviso obliging me, the said Joseph Aspdin, by an instrument in writing under my hand and seal, particularly to describe and ascertain the nature of my said Invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed, and to cause the same to be enrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery within two calendar months next and immediately after the date of the said in part recited Letters Patent (as in and by the same), reference being thereunto had will more fully and at large appear

NOW KNOW YE, that in compliance with the said proviso, I, the said Joseph Aspdin, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention, and the manner in which the same is to be performed, are particularly described and ascertained in the following description thereof (that is to say):—
[Price 8d.]

A.D. 1824—N° 5022.

Aspdin's Improvements in the Modes of Producing an Artificial Stone.

My method of making a cement or artificial stone for stuccoing buildings, waterworks, cisterns, or any other purpose to which it may be applicable (and which I call Portland cement) is as follows:—I take a specific quantity of limestone, such as that generally used for making or repairing roads, and I take it from the roads after it is reduced to a puddle or powder; but if I cannot procure a sufficient quantity of the above from the roads, I obtain the limestone itself, and I cause the puddle or powder, or the limestone, as the case may be, to be calcined. I then take a specific quantity of argillaceous earth or clay, and mix them with water to a state approaching impalpability, either by manual labour or machinery. After this proceeding I put the above mixture into a slip pan for evaporation, either by the heat of the sun or by submitting it to the action of fire or steam conveyed in flues or pipes under or near the pan till the water is entirely evaporated. Then I break the said mixture into suitable lumps, and calcine them in a furnace similar to a lime kiln till the carbonic acid is entirely expelled. The mixture so calcined is to be ground, beat, or rolled to a fine powder, and is then in a fit state for making cement or artificial stone. This powder is to be mixed with a sufficient quantity of water to bring it into the consistency of mortar, and thus applied to the purposes wanted.

In witness whereof, I, the Joseph Aspdin, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this Fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty-four.

JOSEPH (L.S.) ASPDIN.

AND BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the Fifteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord 1824, the aforesaid Joseph Aspdin came before our said Lord the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Specification aforesaid, and all and every thing therein contained and specified, in form above written. And also the Specification aforesaid was stamped according to the tenor of the Statute made for that purpose.

Inrolled the Eighteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty-four.

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Fig. 2. FIRST PATENT FOR PORTLAND CEMENT.

The Above is an Exact Reproduction of the Original Specification for the Manufacture of Portland Cement, Written by Joseph Aspdin, Its Inventor, and Filed in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, December 15, 1824.

facturing capacity was equal to "three thousand casks per week."

Unfortunately, shortly after this, William Aspdin became involved in financial difficulties through an attempt to build a costly residence for himself, which was to be known as "Portland Hall" (see Figs. 3 and 4), and which was to set forth the ornamental possibilities of Portland cement, as well as to be a permanent monument to its enduring qualities. His resources were unequal to the occasion; and before the "Hall" was half completed, the work had to be abandoned. Mr. Aspdin left England, and crossed over to the Continent, where he died at Holstein, in what is now a part of Germany, during the Schleswig-Holstein war in 1864.



Fig. 3. AN UNREALIZED DREAM IN PORTLAND CEMENT. "Portland Hall," Projected Residence for Wm. Aspdin, Son of Joseph Aspdin, at Gravesend, Kent, Near London, England. Reproduced from Architect's Original Drawing.



Fig. 4. HOW "PORTLAND HALL" LOOKS TODAY. Structure in Background, now used as a Private Residence, is only Portion of "Hall" that was Completed. The Cement Stucco on the Brick Walls Around the Grounds, and on the Gate-Posts, is Probably the Oldest Example Extant of the Ornamental Use of Portland Cement.

Every great invention or discovery, almost without exception, is found on investigation to have had the way prepared for it to some extent. This is as true of the invention of Portland cement as of every other great guide-post along the march of technical or scientific progress. It was by experimenting in a field explored by predecessors, and following along lines more or less definitely indicated by them, that Joseph Aspdin was led to his discovery of the method of making Portland cement and finally achieved the success that laid all future generations under the tribute of indebtedness to him and rendered his name immortal.

All cements made prior to the invention of Portland were of the class we term "natural"—made, in some instances, as was that of the ancient Romans, without calcining, by simply



Fig. 5. WILLIAM ASPDIN. Son of Joseph Aspdin, Original Inventor of Portland Cement, and Himself One of the Earliest Pioneers in the Industry.

mixing slaked lime with powdered volcanic ash called Pozzuolana, and in other instances produced by the calcining of cement rock. Calcined cements are a distinctively modern invention, having apparently been unknown to the ancients. They were developed during the eighteenth century in England, France, and Germany, to meet a revived demand for hydraulic mortars, which had fallen into disuse during the Middle Ages; but it was only by slow steps that knowledge of the principles essential to



Fig. 6. PORTLAND CEMENT KILNS OVER SIXTY YEARS OLD. Built in 1848 at Northfleet, Kent, England, by William Aspdin, Son of Joseph Aspdin, Inventor of Portland Cement. Kilns of Upright or Dome Type, with Intermittent Draft.

the making of a uniform and reliable product was acquired.

In searching for a reliable hydraulic mortar for use in marine construction, John Smeaton, the English engineer who built the third Eddystone Lighthouse (completed in 1759), developed a form of natural hydraulic cement after experimenting on limestones containing different proportions of clay. He demonstrated that pure limestone would not produce a hydraulic lime, but, on the contrary, the property of setting under water depended on the use of very impure, clayey limestones. Smeaton's discovery, however, had no immediate effect on engineering practice in general, for no record of his

made consisted of certain argillaceous or clayey limestones common in some of the English coastal formations—essentially natural mixtures of clay and limey material, interspersed with small amounts of calcite, barite, or other minerals, and known geologically as "Septaria." This material was calcined "with a heat stronger than that used for burning lime"; and the resulting clinker was finely pulverized, to develop its hydraulic activity. As might naturally be expected, the product varied considerably in quality; and in many respects—notably its strength and fire-resisting powers—it fell far below the high standards of true Portland cement.

Although the experiments of Smeaton and Parker constituted important steps in the development of cement-making, yet their products were merely "natural" cements, the raw material being used in the natural state as it came from the quarry, without alteration or admixture. It remained for Joseph Aspdin to produce a cement from an experimentally determined artificial mixture, and thus to develop for the first time a product having the essential characteristics of true Portland cement.

The keynote of Aspdin's invention is found in his analysis of the imported lavas sold in England as "terras" and Pozzuolana, and in his experimental attempts to duplicate the volcanic conditions that produced them. He conceived the idea that if he mixed certain earths and materials, and calcined them, he would obtain an article not only similar in its properties to the imported cements of volcanic origin, but capable of being improved upon. The raw materials he selected were limestone and clay. His original specification shows that the limestone, either powdered or in lumps, was first reduced to lime by burning. This lime was then mixed with a "specific quantity of argillaceous earth or clay," water being added to reduce the mixture to the consistency of paste. The mass was subsequently dried, broken into lumps and calcined in a "furnace similar to a lime kiln." Finally, the burned product was ground to a powder.

It will be noticed that Mr. Aspdin's specification makes no statement as to the relative amounts of lime and clay to be mixed together, or as to the degree of temperature necessary in the calcining process. These, as shown by the development of the industry in later times, are features of vital importance; but it is possible that at



Fig. 7. Grave of Joseph Aspdin, Original Inventor and Patentee of Portland Cement, in the Graveyard of St. John's Church in Wakefield

experiments was published until 1791; yet he is entitled to the honor of being placed on record as the first investigator who demonstrated the practical importance of chemical analysis in cement-making—now insisted on as an indispensable prerequisite for intelligent regulation of the processes of manufacture.

The next important step in advance was the invention, in 1796, in England, and almost at the same time in France, of a form of natural cement known as "Roman," which soon came into general use in England and also attained considerable vogue on the Continent. "Roman" cement was the invention of Joseph Parker, an Englishman, who took out a patent for his product in 1796. According to Parker's specifications, the raw material from which "Roman" cement was

the time of taking out his patent, Mr. Aspdin did not have sufficiently explicit data to justify him in giving what might be considered a final word. He designated his cement "Portland," because of its resemblance, when set, to the popular building stone obtained from the famous limestone quarries on the Isle of Portland in Dorsetshire, on the southern coast of England, from which many churches, public buildings, and other structures in England, such as St. Paul's Cathedral, the Eddystone Light, etc., were built.

It was not to be expected that, in its beginnings, the manufacture of Portland cement should be characterized by the careful technical supervision and scientific accuracy that mark every detail of the process to-day. This was a problem for a later generation, and not all of its details have even to this

day been fully and finally solved. For many years, undoubtedly, the manufacture of Portland cement in England was carried on in an empirical manner, the proportioning being done by "rule of thumb" methods. "Even in the beginning of the seventies," says a German writer* on this subject, "there was as good as no chemical supervision in the English cements works."

Joseph Aspdin's title to recognition as the original inventor of Portland cement—a claim never questioned until comparatively recent years—is based on the following indisputable facts:

He was the first to produce, after experiment, a hydraulic cement by artificially mixing limey and clayey ingredients, burning to a clinker, and then grinding—the essential method of making Portland cement to this day. He originated the name "Portland cement"; and the first patent ever issued for a hydraulic cement known under that name, was granted him.

Several independent investigators, early in the last century, approached quite closely the production of real Portland cement by experimenting in the calcining of artificial mixtures of chalk and clay. This is true of the hydraulic cement produced by M. Vicat in France; of the similar product made at the Chatham Dockyard about 1833, by Colonel (afterwards General) Pasley; and of the form of cement known as "Frost's Cement," first made at Swanscombe in Kent, about the same time. Frost's cement was made as follows: Two parts by weight of chalk and one part by weight of Medway clay thoroughly mixed with a considerable quantity of water, and allowed to settle. The water was then drained off the surface, and the sediment left to dry by atmospheric action. When sufficiently dry, the mixture was lightly burned in kilns—not to vitrification, as that would have destroyed its setting properties—and then ground in mills. Had Vicat, Pasley, or Frost used a larger quantity of chalk in proportion to the clay, and had they carried their burning to the point of incipient fusion, they would have produced true Portland cement. In all these cases, however, the product contained

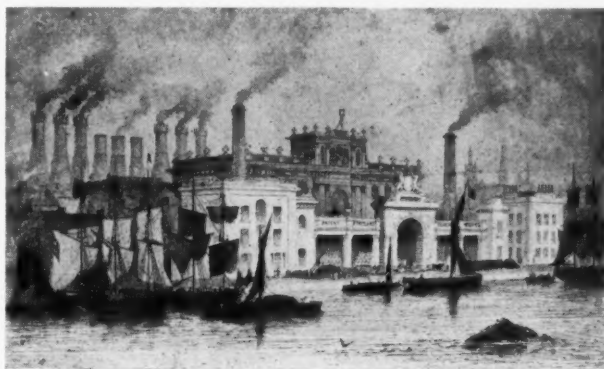


Fig. 8. Portland Cement Works of Aspdin, Ord & Co., at Gateshead-on-Tyne, England. In Flourishing Condition about 1852

a great excess of clay (alumina), was only lightly burned, was very quick setting, and was much inferior in weight and strength to Portland cement, being rather of the nature of hydraulic lime.

The approximate relative proportions of lime and clay (5 to 2) required to give a reliable and uniform product, were determined experimentally, in the forties, by Mr. Isaac Charles Johnson, founder of the firm of I. C. Johnson & Co., cement makers, now of Gateshead-on-Tyne and Green-

hithe-on-Thames, and were by him first made public. Mr. Johnson subsequently invented several mechanical improvements in the manufacture, one of these being known as the Johnson "Chamber System," utilizing the waste heat of combustion for drying the ground raw-material mixture, and



Fig. 9. Joseph Aspdin's Home, the Birthplace of Portland Cement. His home stood at No. 3 Princess Street, Leeds, the open door at the right. The old home was torn down about 1895 to make way for an extension of the Public House or "Inn" on the Corner, which has been Doing Business Under Continuous License Since 1693

providing a simplified method of charging the kilns; but this chamber system was soon superseded by the modern rotary kiln now in almost universal use.

Joseph Aspdin is described by those who remember him as a "large, broad, fine-looking man," and he is reputed to have been worth £60,000 (about \$300,000) at the time of death, nearly 56 years ago. He lies buried in the little graveyard of St. John's Church in Wakefield, where the inscription on his tombstone can still be plainly read (see photograph, Fig. 19):

SACRED
to the Memory of the late
Joseph Aspdin of this
Town (Inventor of the
Patent Portland Cement)
who departed this life on
the 20th day of March, 1855
Aged 76 Years.

Mr. Aspdin himself never realized the full significance of his discovery. His gift to mankind was one of which future ages alone could see the full development, and the world will continue throughout all time to reap more and more of its rich fruition. It would not be inappropriate for us of the present generation to mark in some suitable way the spot which he rendered "sacred ground" to all students of cement, and to perpetuate his memory by some permanent and worthy memorial. His invention of Portland cement, however, will in itself be his most enduring monument.

*Dr. Wilhelm Michaelis, in "Tonindustrie-Zeitung," March 25, 1905.

Contractors' Costs Cut Down by Use of Motor Trucks

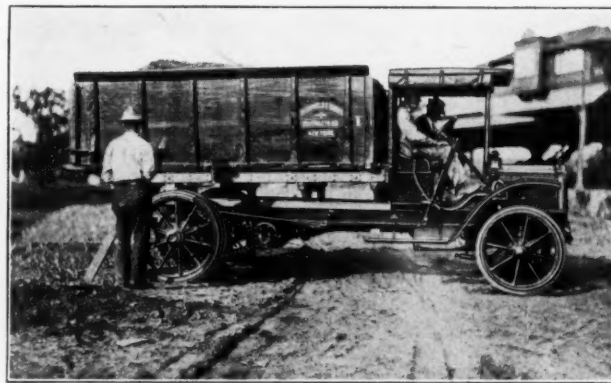
(An article for wide-awake builders.)

THERE was recently submitted to a large manufacturing company bids for the erection of an addition to its plant, which a competent architect had estimated would cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000.00. To the average person, the elements that enter into a contractor's estimate for the construction of a large building, are an unknown quantity; and in many instances it is suspected that this is true also with the contractors themselves! This, however, is not the point we started out to make. Merely mention it in passing, since the following motor truck incident and a study of the hauling and inspection costs of contractors generally bring it to mind.

The great difference in the final figures submitted on this contract, by the several bidders, proved extremely puzzling, ranging from \$12,000.00 to \$22,000.00. Exactly the same specifications were furnished to each of the contractors and the same guarantee was required of each. The material was to be standard throughout and could be recognized as such by the layman, as well as the contractor. The element of risk on weather conditions and the labor market were speculative and were no doubt the determining factors in the mind of each bidder. Some

men are willing to take greater chances than others, believing in the efficiency of their equipment to speed up and accomplish seeming miracles.

The lowest bidder in the case was recognized as



"White" Dumping Truck in use in New York City by McDonald & Barry, Contractors

reliable in every way and, to insure a faithful carrying out of the contract, gave a bond.

In telling of this incident the manager of the manufacturing concern stated that while not particularly interested in acquiring a knowledge of the contracting



How Power Trucks Save Time and Money in Getting Lumber to the Job. Four Horse-Drawn Loads were Stalled on this Hill Before the Truck Came to the Rescue



The Little "Brush" Helping Along the Inspection Work of the Nebraska Stone Co. at Omaha

business, but in order to reconcile in his own mind the great difference in the figures presented, he sought out the successful contractor to get his explanation and find out how it was that he was able to so underbid all the rest. He found at the head of this firm an individual who had kept abreast of the rapid development of mechanical aids in his business.

As weather and labor conditions were to determine the profits on this contract, provision for every emergency had to be made. The time of the employees had to be conserved in every possible manner. Living in widely separated districts and having to

depend upon an inadequate street car service to reach the job which was a long way out, many hours of lost time of their men were staring the contractors in the face—time that meant money both to the employer and employee. Now the partners of this firm each owned his own automobile and realized the immense saving of time these machines had afforded in getting about on inspection trips, looking after material, and transferring skilled men from one job to another. So, an investment in a passenger motor car for the use of their employees was discussed and determined upon.

The selection of a Rapid combination passenger and freight car was made and it was duly installed for service between the contractor's office, which was centrally located, and the plant where the building operations were to be carried on. Employees assigned to this particular job were instructed to report at the Company's office in the morning at 15 minutes before seven o'clock, instead of at the job.

While the car was designed to carry but 20 persons, 25 and 30 were comfortably transported on each trip to the job and the entire force were always ready to begin work at the appointed hour. When not used in passenger service, the car was used to haul light loads of materials needed in a hurry. Sometimes it was sash and doors, which had been ordered in plenty of time from the manufacturers, but on account of inadequate delivery equipment, would have hindered the progress



"Rapid" Combination Truck and Passenger Car Equipped for Winter Service



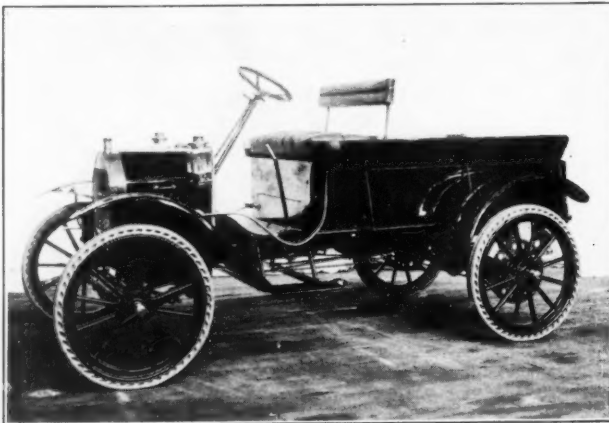
"White" Gasoline 3-Ton Truck Hard at Work in Cleveland

of the masons, except for the contractor's own motor truck, ready at all times for every kind of a haul. At other times it was nails or special bolts and steel work, which had been overlooked in getting out the material for the job.

Influenced by the complete success of this innovation and looking at it from the viewpoint of economy, a three-ton heavy duty truck was then placed in commission to haul the heavier materials used. It was found that one of these trucks, with one driver, accomplished the work of four teams and four drivers and the time consumed in making deliveries was reduced over one-half.

Other Examples of Costs Cut Down

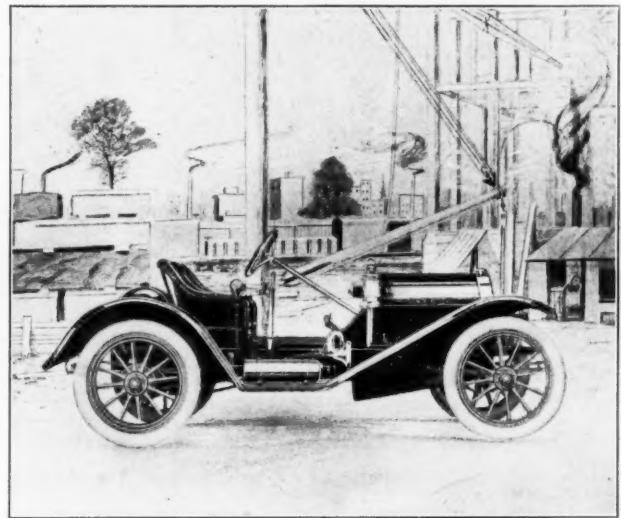
Another striking example of the saving of time and money through the wise use of motor trucks in connection with building work is in upper New York City where a three-ton motor truck with self-dumping steel body has been used for some time in fulfilling a



New Type of Delivery Car, a "Brush", for Small Contractors' Needs
contract taken by McDonald & Barry to fill in a tract of low ground at Broadway and 204th street. The truck hauls loads of wet ashes from a power house about a mile away. Each load contains seven cubic yards, or just double the load hauled in a horse-drawn wagon. The motor truck makes ten to twelve

trips a day as compared with an average of five or six trips made in a working day with horses. Thus the power vehicle is doing the work of four horse-drawn wagons, and is hauling from seventy to eighty-four cubic yards of material a day. In this case the saving in time is of especial importance because the filled ground is to be used for the construction of buildings that are badly needed by the owners.

The large photograph on the first page is a typical example of how much time is lost in transporting lumber by the horse-drawn vehicles. Four loads became stalled on this hill, and it was necessary to unhitch all four teams and hitch them to each load to nego-



"Overland" On the Job—A Time Saver for Inspection Trips

tiate the hill. The time lost, not only by the four drivers, but by the men waiting at the other end for the lumber, is one of the speculative elements in the contracting business that is rapidly becoming eliminated by the use of the commercial motor car. Record loads of lumber, steel, roofing in rolls, cement in sacks and even heavy granite blocks are commonly seen on the streets of the larger cities threading their way through narrow streets and over steep hills at a ten-mile-an-hour pace.



Ferry Lumber Co., Pittsfield, Mass., Making Good Use of a 1,000 Pound "Franklin" Gasoline, Air Cooled Truck

The ordinary obstacles that horses seem to experience difficulty in overcoming are as child's play for the contractor's motor trucks which are as fresh at 6 o'clock p. m. as at 7 o'clock a. m.

As typical of the practical utility of the light, small cars and runabouts for inspection trips and superintendence in connection with building operations the experience of Harry L. Hurlburt, structural superintendent of the Schmied-Sisman Co., of Detroit, is interesting.

The Schmied-Sisman Co. have always on hand a large number of building contracts in all parts of Detroit, covering a radius of about twenty miles. In his daily rounds with a "Hupmobile" in the course of superintending these constructions, Mr. Hurlburt's speedometer shows an average register of from sixty to eighty miles. Mr. Hurlburt, of course, runs his car every day in the year regardless of weather conditions, and the car is subject to much harder use than the



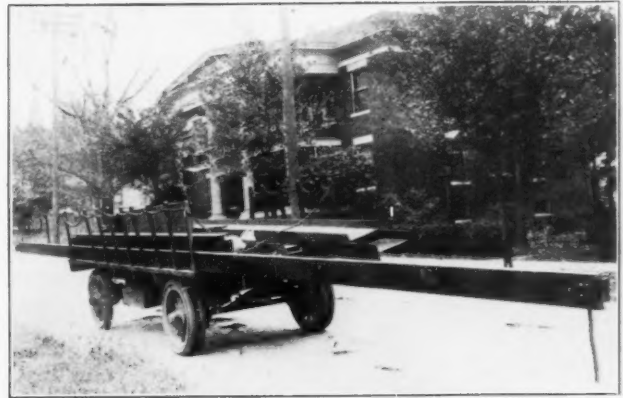
Mr. Schmied of the Schmied-Sisman Co., Detroit, Consulting with his Structural Superintendent, Harry L. Hurlburt. Mr. Hurlburt is "On the Job" at a Great Rate of Speed all Day Long in his "Hupmobile" Averaging 60 to 80 Miles per Day in the Course of his Business.

average. Mr. Hurlburt has made as high as thirty-two miles on a gallon of gasoline and states that the little car will average about twenty-seven miles to the gallon the year around.

The company has found the use of a motor car a great economy in covering the long rides necessary to their work. They have at present two other makes of cars in use and have just added another Hupp to their squadron of cars.

"To give you an idea of the use I give this car," states Mr. Hurlburt, "I have already worn out three cars in the service of the company. They were all large cars with long wheel base and I find the smaller cars quicker to start, easier to get in and out of, and on account of the short wheel base, I can turn in a narrow space without reversing—which saves a lot of time in the course of a day's work.

"On account of the light weight it is infinitely easier



"Kelly" Truck at Work for the Kansas City Structural Iron Co., Handling Extra Long Beams

on tires. One set of tires will last an entire season of hard usage. In fact, I am still using one of the original front wheel tires after a season and a half of hard usage.

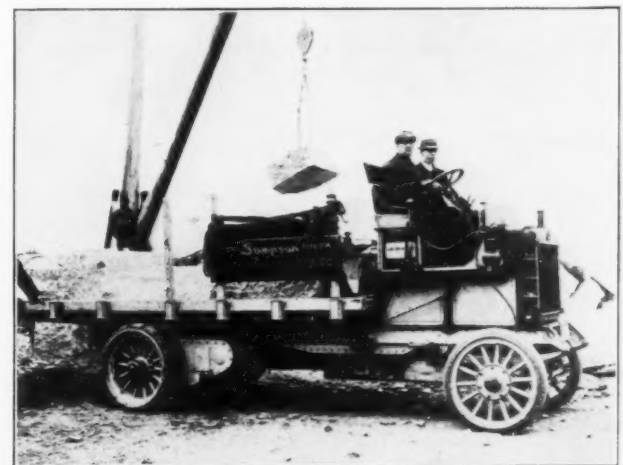
"Of course working around buildings and excavations I find it convenient to drive into vacant lots and places where there is no road way. Often the going is soft and I would not dare attempt it with a heavy car. But with my little light car I never have any trouble in getting through."



Power Trucks are a Great Success for the Economical Handling of Lumber

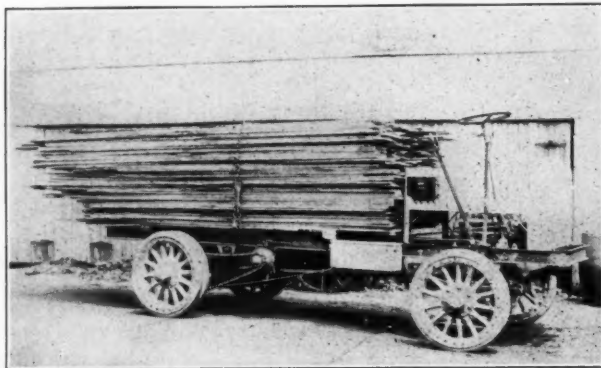
Mr. Hurlburt's experience is but one of the hundreds of similar cases in which the business runabout is actually made to pay its way by its saving of time and economy of up-keep in the contracting business.

As to the maintenance cost of motor trucks and



They "Stand the Racket" for Heavy Stone Hauling too—A "Sampson" in use by the Quincy (Mass.) Quarries Co.

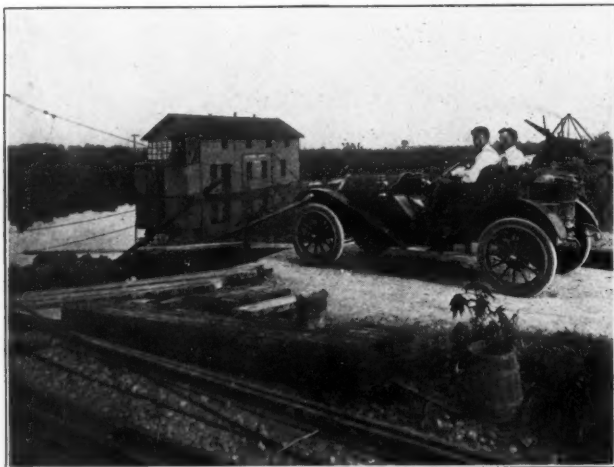
other cars used for business purposes some figures based on actual experience will prove interesting. Not long ago averages were compiled from the records of twenty-eight motor express and delivery wagons operating in as many different lines of trade in the city of Syracuse, New York. These figures, although not based exclusively on motor trucks and inspection runabout cars in use by building contractors,



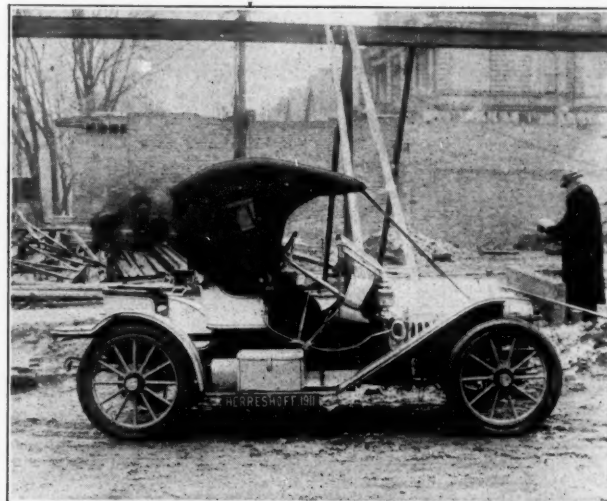
"Gramm" 3-Ton Lumber Truck Having Motor Operated Load Dumping Device

nevertheless, may be taken as fairly applicable to this line.

For periods of time ranging from six to twenty-two months the *annual operation* and maintenance costs averaged as follows: Fuel and oil, \$168; depreciation estimated at 20 per cent, \$180; repairs and replacements, exclusive of tires and ignition batteries but including repairs due to accidents and drivers' carelessness, \$150; driver's wages, at \$12 a week, \$624; tires, \$50; interest on investment at 5 per cent, \$45. This gives a total cost per wagon of \$1,217 a year. The machines average 50 miles a day. Assuming that two single-horse wagons could do the work of one of the motor wagons, and that the cost of stabling, shoeing, drivers' wages and other items averaged \$22 a week, the horse service would cost \$2,112 a year, or \$895 more than the motor wagon. Syracuse is subject to very severe winter conditions and in general has very poor pavements, while many streets are not paved at all. Hence the actual figure of \$13.25 per month per car for repairs arrived at by the



There are Some Places That Even a "Hudson" Can't Go



Handy Car for Inspection Trips—"Herreshoff" Runabout

records of a score of wagons in a variety of services is considered an excellent average upon which to base estimates for maintenance repairs for this particular type of power vehicle.

The commercial motor car has undoubtedly reached a stage of development which entitles it to recognition as a great time saver, and an economical factor in modern building operations. Wide awake men will do well to investigate its possibilities individually as applied to the needs of their own particular line of



Popular Size Delivery Truck—Half Ton "Sampson"

work. Both the motor trucks for heavy hauling and the lighter machines used for inspection trips should be looked into. They are money makers and money savers for many building contractors.



How to Remove Old Putty

Remove the window sash and lay it flat on a table with the putty side up. Take a common spring-bottom oiler filled with gasoline and squirt a small quantity of gasoline on the putty all around the sash. Apply a match and the heat of the burning gasoline will soften the old, hard putty so that it can be removed with a putty knife without cutting or defacing the sash. If the putty is very hard, a second application of the gasoline may be necessary.

DETAILS of CONSTRUCTION AND FINISH



CHARLES F. RAWSON



Living and Dining Room in One-Story Wing

FLOOR PLAN LAY-OUT WITH COMPLETE DETAILS OF INTERIOR FINISH—GOOD IDEAS FOR NOVEL BEAM CEILING, WOOD MANTEL, BUILT IN CASES, SEAT, ETC.

WE NEED not dwell upon the importance of using a very generous amount of wood-work in a room to give the effect of permanence, homelikeness and rich, warm color. Any one who has ever entered a house in which a large amount of natural wood is used in the form of wainscoting, beams and structural features of all kinds, has only to contrast the impression given by such an interior with that which is received when entering the average house, where the walls are covered with some hideous paper and the conventional door and window frames are of varnished wood, in order to realize the great difference made by giving to the woodwork its full value in the decorative scheme. No amount of care or expense lavished on draperies, furniture or decoration can make up for the absence of the proper use of wood in the interior of a house. This truth has long been understood and applied in England whose mellow and friendly old houses are at once the delight and despair of Americans; but is only a few years since we began to use it in the building and furnishing of our own homes.

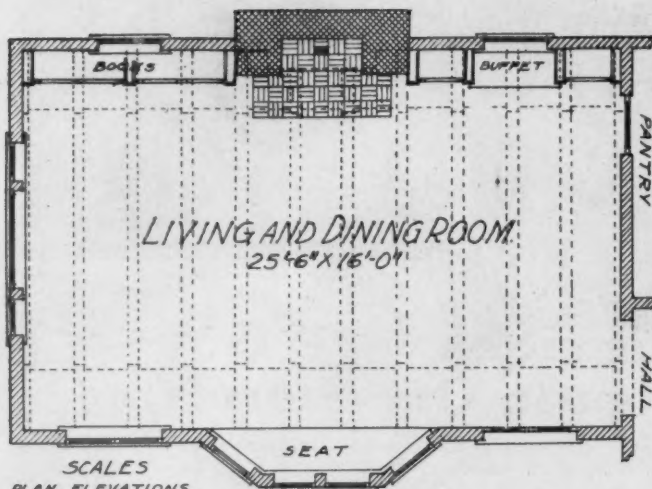
We would have it clearly understood, however, in recommending the generous use of woodwork that we mean the use of wood so finished that its individual qualities of grain, color and texture are preserved so far as possible, and such treatment of wall spaces and built-in features that they are not made unduly prominent, but rather sink quietly into the background and become a part of the room itself, forming an unobtrusive setting for the furniture and draperies instead of coming into competition with them. To this end the woodwork should be so treated that its color quality is deepened and mellowed as if by time, and its surface made smooth without sacrificing its woody quality and texture. When so done the little irregularities of grain allow a play of light over the surface which is entirely lost in woodwork which is filled, stained to a solid color, varnished and polished so that the light is reflected from a hard and unsympathetic surface.

Unquestionably the two most important rooms in a house are the living and dining rooms, and there is no reason why, in a small or medium sized house, they should not be combined into one apartment. A large and simply furnished room of this kind, where the business of home life may be carried on freely and with pleasure, may well occupy all the space that is ordinarily partitioned off in small rooms conventionally planned to meet supposed requirements. A house should be the outward and visible expression of the life, work and thought of its inmates, and the station in life of its owner should be expressed in a dignified manner and not disguised. Honesty is the thing that pays the best in creating a home atmosphere. If servants cannot be afforded, build the house so that it is convenient to do without them, and it is astonishing how easy the care of a house can be made by the simple process of eliminating useless rooms. The right kind of home does not drag out all that there is in a man to keep it going, nor is the care of it too heavy a burden upon a woman.

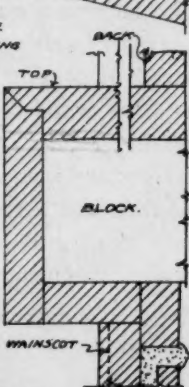
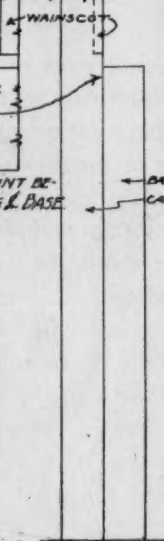
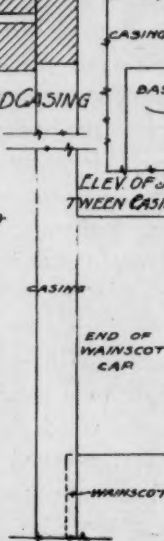
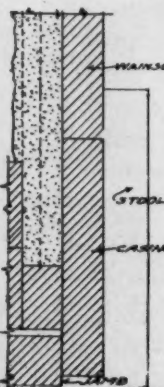
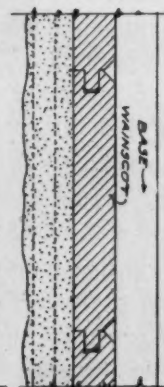
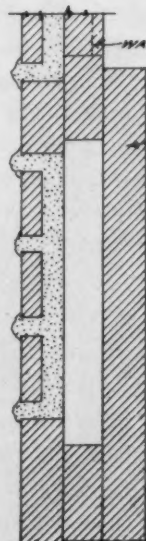
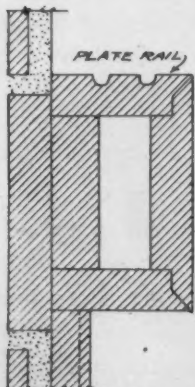
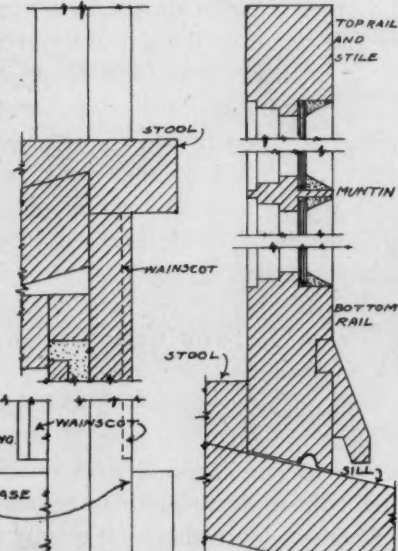
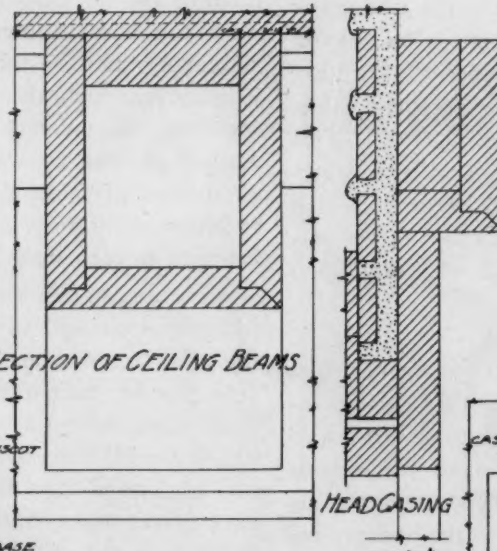
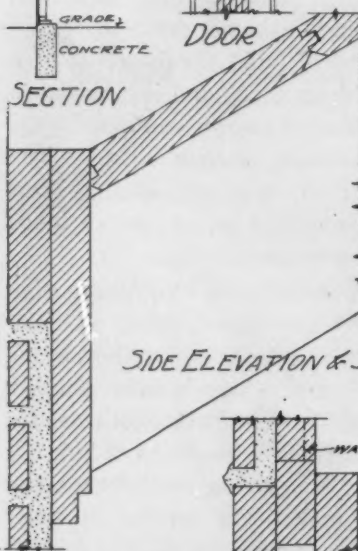
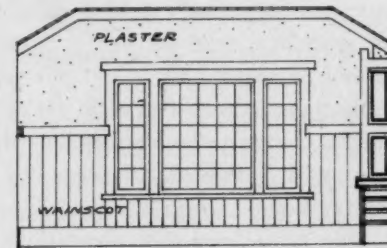
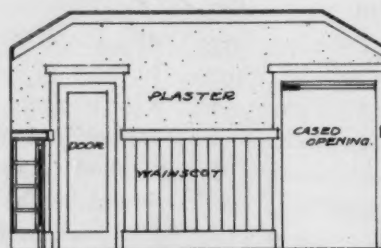
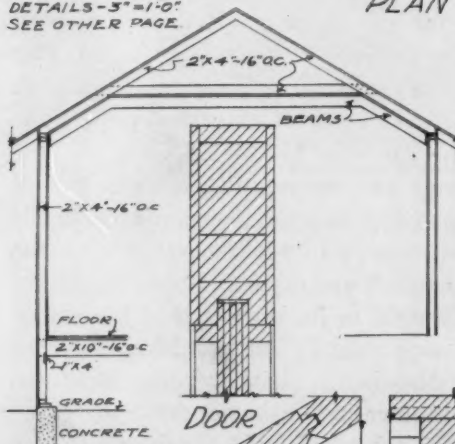
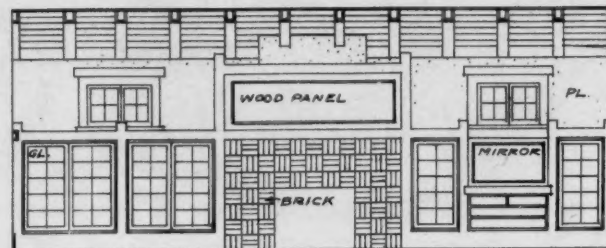
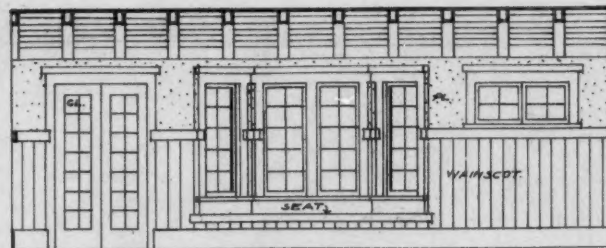
Such a room in such a house is shown in the accompanying drawings, where a combined living and dining room containing a fire place, buffet, bookcases, seat, wooden wainscoting and ceiling is fully detailed. This room shows an abundance of woodwork treated entirely with smooth surfaces without mouldings of any kind; and it is so planned that convenience and cheerfulness take equal rank. The serving of meals in the rear end of the room goes on with little friction and without interruption of other purposes for which the room is used. The room occupies the principal wing of a bungalow and as it has three exposures, plenty of light is assured.

The drawings show a plan, section and the four elevations of the room, drawn to the scale of one-eighth of an inch equals one foot; scale drawings of the principal built-in or structural features, drawn to a scale of three-eighths inch equals one foot; and every principal part of the woodwork in the room is detailed to the scale of three inches equals one foot.

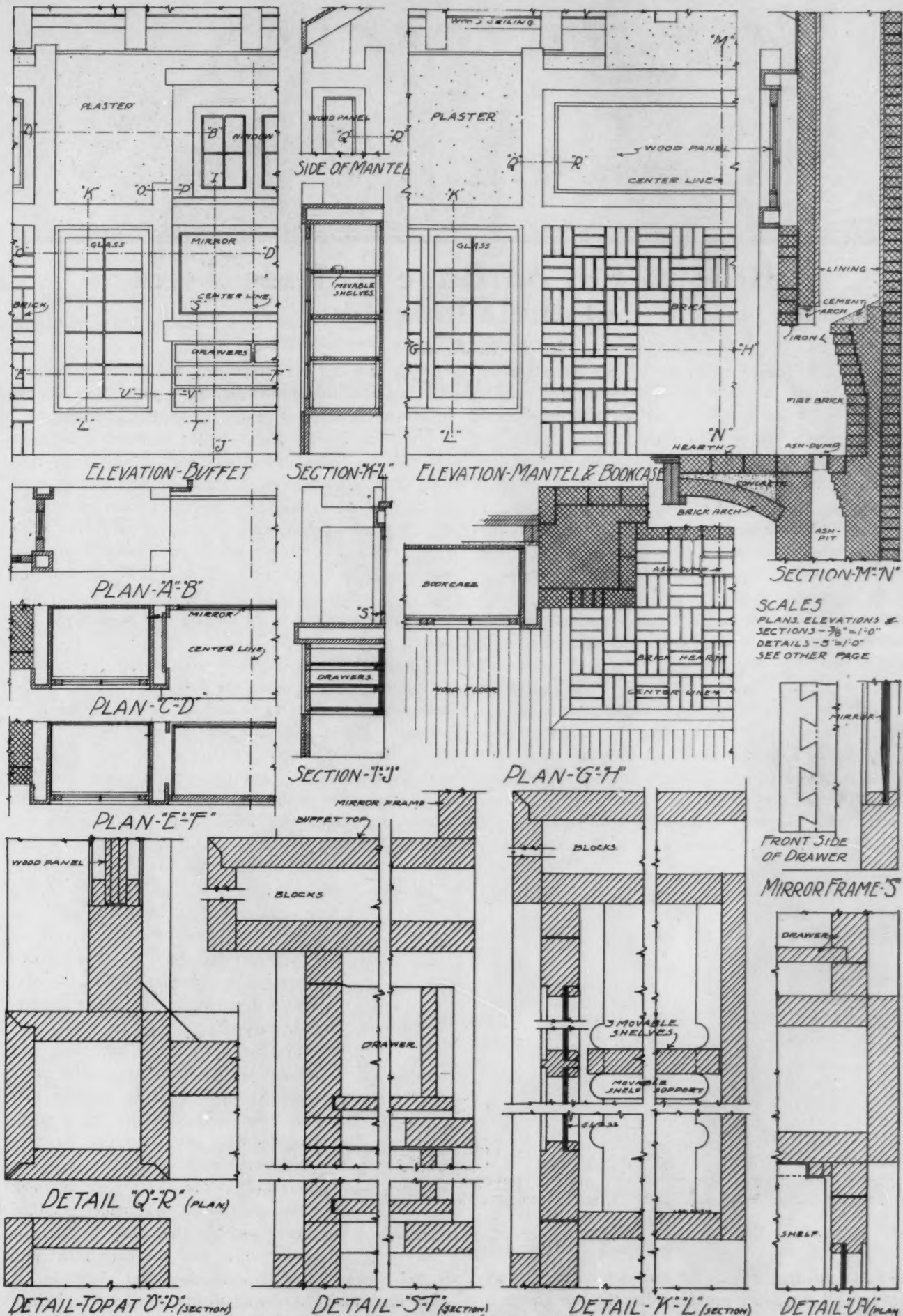
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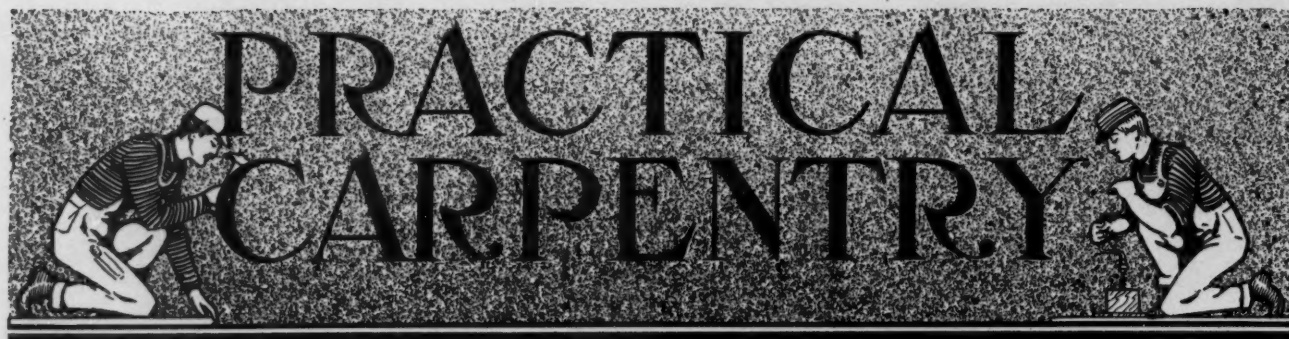
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COMBINED LIVING AND DINING ROOM IN ONE-STORY WING SHOWING PLAN AND DETAILS OF INTERIOR FINISH



ADDITIONAL DETAILS OF INTERIOR FINISH—FIRE PLACE WITH WOOD MANTEL—BOOK CASE—BUFFET



How to Put on Base to Hide Joint at the Floor Line

By B. L. Jenks

ALMOST every contractor of experience can call to mind the case of some client who, having lived in his new house for several weeks, comes back to the contractor, all excited, and complains that the workmanship and materials furnished for his house must have been poor indeed; for, he says, "The floors are settling badly and you can almost put a pencil in the crack between the base and the floor, and if it is that bad now, what will it be a year from now?"

This condition is most frequently met in brick or stone buildings and is most noticeable around the outside walls, but it is not a cause for alarm and the experienced contractor reassures his client by telling him the building is perfectly safe, and that the crack is caused by the shrinking of the floor joists, and that the base, being attached to the masonry wall, remains fixed, while the floor joists, taking the floor with them, shrink away from the base and leave a crack. The client, at this point, generally concludes, and frequently says, "If the joists shrink, they must have been wet;" and he will then refer to a clause in the specifications which states that "all lumber must be thoroughly dry."

as they dry out very slowly in the building without artificial heat, the finish is generally put on and painted or otherwise finished before the trouble appears.

So much for the cause of the trouble. The next question is, "what are you going to do about it?" One client I have in mind could see no other solution of the problem than to raise the joists from below with a jack screw, forgetting in her excitement, that such treatment would leave a similar and much more conspicuous crack between the ceiling and the sidewalls of the story below. But in her absence, a carpenter disposed of the matter very quickly and with slight expense.

There are several ways of overcoming this trouble, as follows: Fig. 1 shows the different members of the base and their relation to each other and to the floor as well. When originally put on, the base itself and the carpet mold came down tight to the floor. The base was put in place and varnished separately and then the mold was nailed to the base. In drying, both base and carpet mold remained fixed, while the floor shrank away. To overcome this it was only necessary to take

off the carpet mold, lower it to the floor and nail it back in place. This was easily done, and it did not leave any mark on the base; but it meant a loss of time as the carpenter had gone with his tools to another job in a distant part of the city.

This method, while effective in correcting the difficulty, has not been very satisfactory, in that it is not automatic. In other words, the shrinkage of the joists and the change necessary to hide that fact has been altogether too apparent to the occupant of the premises. Another method, sometimes used to overcome the same trouble, is shown in Fig. 2, in which the base is set into a shoe, which is nailed to the floor. In this case the shoe is put down first and the base fitted into

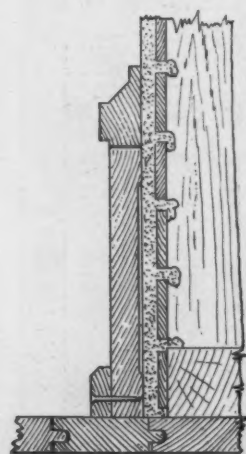


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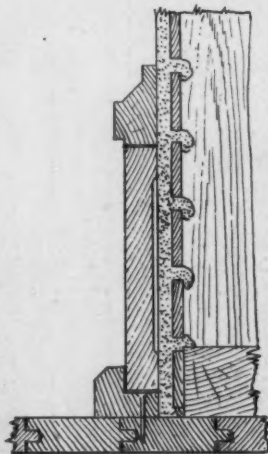


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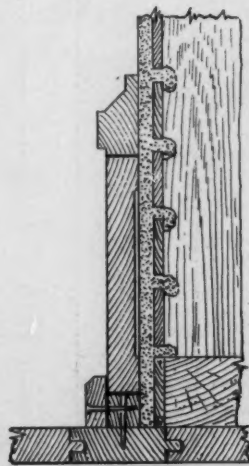


FIG. 3.

Perhaps this may puzzle the contractor for a moment, but he will remember probably that the joists were dry when they were delivered, but that it is impossible to keep them dry while the house is being plastered, and

it and when, in that position, these two members are varnished, and afterwards shrink, the base will show a strip of unfinished wood or at least a rough line where the varnish has pulled away from the other

member. This requires the attention of a painter instead of a carpenter, but it is equally annoying and expensive.

There is a third method of handling this matter, which, if carried out properly, will not only prevent nervous strain to the owner, but will save the time of the carpenter or the painter, or both, and will do it quietly, unobtrusively and withal, effectively. This method is shown in Fig. 3. Under this plan, assume that the wide member of the base is to be $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches and the carpet mold is $\frac{3}{8}$ by $1\frac{3}{8}$ inches. Then instead of ordering the base $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, order it $6\frac{3}{4}$ inches, and order the same number of lineal feet of hemlock, pine or other cheap wood of the same thickness as the base, and $\frac{3}{4}$ inch wide. Set this piece on edge around the room in line with the base, and nail

it to the floor, and not to the studding or furring. Then on this member set the base, nailing it to the studding or grounds in the usual manner. Then paint or varnish the base in its fixed position on the wall and paint or varnish the carpet mold apart from the base. After both members are thoroughly dry, set the carpet mold in position and nail it firmly to the strip *which is nailed to the floor*. It thus becomes a part of the floor itself and will move up or down with the floor and having, upon the basis of measurements used above, a lap of $\frac{5}{8}$ inch on the base, it will readily hide even an unusual shrinkage, and, better still, there will be no tell-tale marks of varnish or lack of varnish, to disturb the owner with fears of disaster or visions of repair bills, and no incentive to withhold the contractor's final payment, as might be the case otherwise.

Something About Chimneys

ESTIMATING BRICK CHIMNEY WORK—NUMBER OF BRICKS REQUIRED FOR DIFFERENT SIZES—BURNT FLUES AND SMOKING

By A. W. Woods

THE chimney is a necessary adjunct to every house where heat is required for commercial and domestic purposes and should require careful attention, not only by the man that lays out the plan, to give it architectural dignity, but more especially to meet the requirements to the best advantage as to what it should do. The surroundings should be taken into consideration, as conditions vary; and lastly the builder should know how to build. Too often he knows more about chimneys than anybody else, because as he says he has built lots of them and he knows he knows—and unless the superintendent is "Johnny on the spot," he is his own superintendent and the work passes the scrutiny of the owner. It may have sufficient draught, or it may have some defect, but unless it is of a very serious nature, it usually passes as finished and the real cause of trouble is never known.

As a usual thing chimneys are not made large enough and too often too much is expected of each one in the way of openings from different rooms. Better build several flues in the one chimney—that is, have a separate flue for the heating plant, kitchen range, fire place and perhaps another for the laundry room in the basement. The former for an 8 to 10 room house should not be less than 8 by 12 inches; and for the others 8 by 8 inches will be sufficient. These can usually be grouped and carried up in one large chimney.

The flues should be plumb from bottom to top and be kept or built smooth on the inside as well as on the outside. The joints should be completely filled with mortar and the joints pressed with the point of the trowel. This can be best done with a small trowel for the inside pointing, as a large trowel cannot be handled in the flues to as good advantage.

How to calculate the number of brick required in a

chimney furnishes a little problem that is not generally understood and especially in the arrangement of laying them to obtain the greatest flue space with the least number of brick. The size of a common brick on its bed is about 4 by 8 inches or 32 square inches. To this of course must be allowed the mortar joint but for illustration purposes, we will not take that part into consideration.

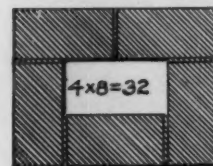


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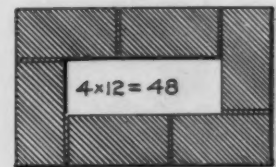


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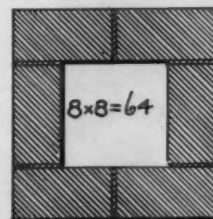


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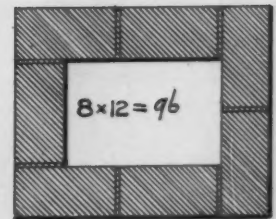


FIG. 4.



FIG. 5.



FIG. 6.

In Fig. 1 is shown what is called a five-brick chimney which gives an opening of 32 square inches, which is entirely too small for a smoke flue for any purpose.

In Fig. 2 is shown a six-brick flue, giving an opening of 48 square inches. This form is quite generally used for cottages and sometimes for more pretentious residences, but it too should not be used. It lacks space in the opening and the shape is bad.

Better use the number of brick shown in Fig. 3 which gives an area of 64 square inches and is sufficiently large for an ordinary sized stove, or fire place; but if more than one stove is to connect with the flue it should be larger and by adding another brick, the flue space is increased to 96 square inches. This is sufficient for two stoves or for the heating plant for an eight or ten room house.

The flue for the fire place should always be independent of other openings. An eight-brick flue gives an increase of 48 square inches over that for a seven-brick flue, as will be seen by referring to Fig. 5 and by adding two more bricks, the flue area is increased to 256 square inches, as shown in Fig. 6.

The height of the flue has much to do with the draught. What may work satisfactory in one place may not do so well in another on account of obstructions such as trees, or taller buildings, etc., and for that reason as we said before, it is well to study the surrounding conditions and plan accordingly.

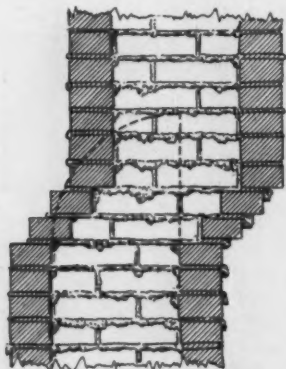


FIG. 7.

Quite a common mistake is the fault of the builder in not keeping the droppings cleaned out at the bottom, but leaving them until they clog up the opening and become set; then it is a job to clean them out, oftentimes requiring the removal of several brick to get at the obstruction.

Then again the mortar joints on the inside are allowed to go without being pointed or even being struck off with the trowel; leaving protruding, baggy ridges, as shown in Fig. 7, which makes an excellent soot catcher and thereby greatly interferes with the draught. The joints ought to be struck and then pressed with the point of a small trowel, as before mentioned. This will close up the voids, making a tighter joint and greatly lessens the danger from fire.

Another great mistake which is quite common and

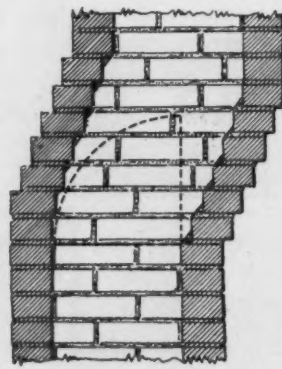


FIG. 8.

more often traceable to the carpenter, is the crooked or drawn flue. The rafters are usually spaced, regardless of where the chimney is to pass through the roof. If they happen to miss coming over the chimney, all right and good. On the other hand, if a rafter happens to sit 6 or 8 inches over the plumb line of the chimney, it is generally deemed good enough anyway and instead of cutting out and framing an opening so as to give a perfectly straight flue, it is allowed to go with the idea that the mason can easily draw his flue that much. Of course in some cases, it cannot well be helped but the mason often makes a mistake in starting the corbelling of the bricks for both sides on the same course instead of starting the corbelling on the outer side of the chimney two or three courses lower down than on the opposite side.

In Figs. 7 and 8 are shown the wrong and the correct way respectively. NOTE, the difference as indicated by the quarter circle. In the former, the flue is diminished nearly one-half and the droppings of the careless mason readily find a lodging place to still lessen the opening, while in the latter the full size flue is maintained and if the ledges are properly beveled off with cement mortar as the bricks are laid, there will be much less chance for the droppings to become lodged at this point.

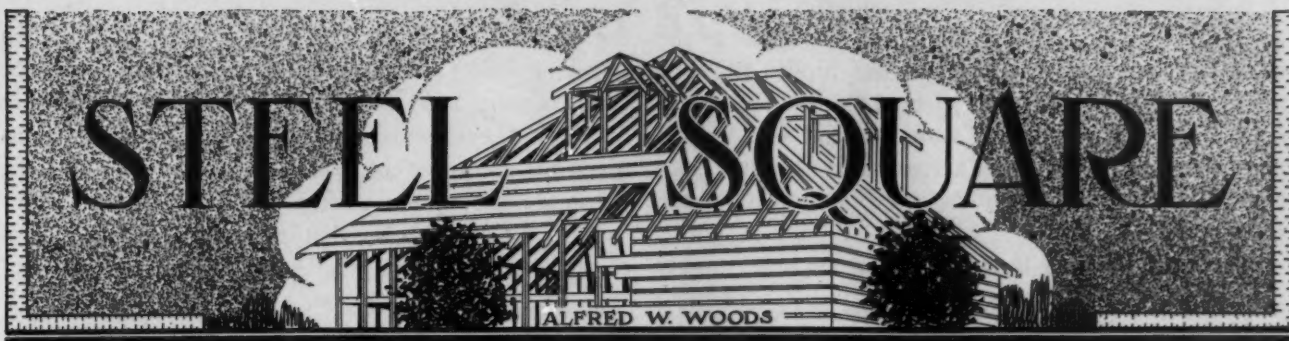
Recently we had a little experience with a crooked chimney. The carpenter left the opening in the roof so that it was necessary to draw the flue not only one way but two ways. The mason started the drawing from the same level and the chimney was completed; then the furnace man got in his work and fired up. It smoked and smoked and then smoked some more. In fact it was a persistent smoker. An investigation was necessary and the hindering cause was soon located away up in the dark attic and the mason's and carpenter's attention was called to same. It was urged that the bricks be removed on two sides and be carried up plumb and then drawn over; catching the plumb line above; but oh, no; they protested the trouble could not be there, because they had built and seen many chimneys built that way before! But the change was made and the trouble passed into history.

Still there is another mistake and a very common one, too, which is chargeable to the tinner. To increase the draught of a low chimney, or one that may be close to a building, or a clump of trees that extends higher than the chimney, the tinner is often called on to make an extension of galvanized iron. This he usually makes with a smaller area than the opening of the flue. It is quite common to see a six-inch round pipe set on an 8 by 8 inch flue, when the diameter of the pipe should at least equal that of the flue.



A Sailor's Yarn

Sailor—Just at that moment my father received a bullet that cut off both his arms and legs and threw him into the sea. Fortunately, he knew how to swim.
—Le Rire.



Practical Uses of the Steel Square

CUTS FOR THE PURLIN—A COMPARISON OF THE MITER FOR THE PURLIN AND ROOF BOARDS WITH HOPPER CUTS—DIAGRAM GIVES GENERAL RULE FOR ANY ANGLE

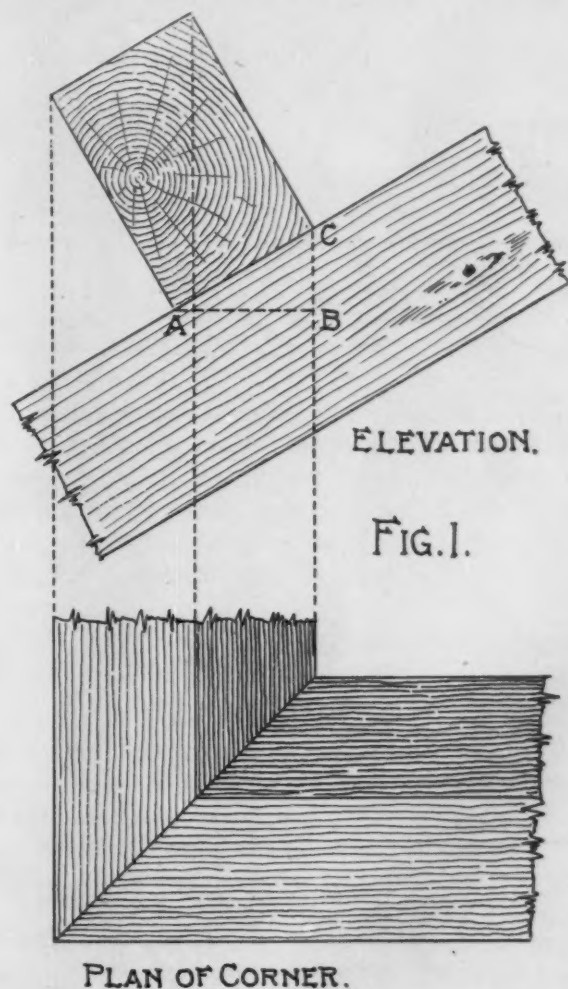
HOW to frame the purlin, when the same is set with the rake of the roof so as to properly miter at the hip, furnishes a subject recently given us to explain; and as the same time furnishes a good text for an extended article, we will take advantage of it for this month's article. It is a fact that questions of this kind are bothersome to many carpenters who understand roof framing fairly well; men who can go ahead and frame all of the other members in the roof, but because a purlin is required to be membered at the hips and valleys with a perfectly tight fitting joint, they loose their bearings, so to speak. They look upon this part of the framing as out of the ordinary and pass it up as something hard, when in fact the same problem is involved in other parts of the roof. Carpenters will go right ahead and frame the work and think no more about it, but coming up under a different form, without looking into the relationship with other parts, they allowed themselves to be bewildered when with a little thought in the way of comparison with other parts, all would have been clear.

It is a very easy matter for a foreman on a job to become bewildered unless he has thrown around himself, safe guards for just such problems as this. He should look ahead and see what is coming and likewise what he has gone over, and study the relationship of one to the other. This of course belongs in early training; it is essential; and, unless mastered, trouble is sure to loom up, and that too at an embarrassing time. When the boss is on the job with the steel square; and a gang of men are on hand waiting and watching to see him manipulate the square and say, "Cut to this line, Bill, and you, Jake, cut so many jacks rights and lefts," etc., for all of the timbers required in and about the roof. Yes, it takes careful study on the part of the foreman and he should master it when off the job. He is the leader; and if he hesitates, the men under him will laugh in their sleeves, and cast sly knowing winks at each other, when at the same time, it is dollars to doughnuts that they are as ignorant of how to proceed as the Hotintots in darkest Africa.

In Fig. 1 is shown the elevation of the purlin resting on the truss, or in other words, it is resting with the rake of the roof. In connection with it is shown the

plan of the corner. It will be seen that this is just the same as the hopper cut.

Now, we will try and illustrate how to obtain the cut with the aid of the steel square in the simplest way possible. But before giving the parts to take on the square, let us see what relation, or similarity this part has to some other parts of the roof. How about the roof boards that intersect at the valley? Do they not lie in exactly the same position as the purlin? To



be sure they do. The only difference is in the thickness of the timbers. One is a board about an inch thick and the other a timber eight or more inches in depth. But that does not make any difference, as far

as the cut is concerned. Again it is the same as the miter for a standing gutter at the hip. One is a board set edgewise with the pitch of the roof; the other is a timber sitting in the same position but several inches thick, but the angle across their face and edge are the same and consequently the cut must be the same.

In cutting the roof boards to fit to the valley, many carpenters—we might better say practically all of them—do not stop to consider what determines the cut and do not try to make a snug joint because it is covered up—out of sight. They consider it a waste of time to take accurate measurements and so they use the rule o' thumb. If they get a tight joint, it is more of an accident than anything else. Just so they get good nailing is all they care for; and the subject is given no further thought.

Now let us see what the parts are to take on the steel square to get the cuts, and what determines them.

Referring again to Fig 1, there are shown three

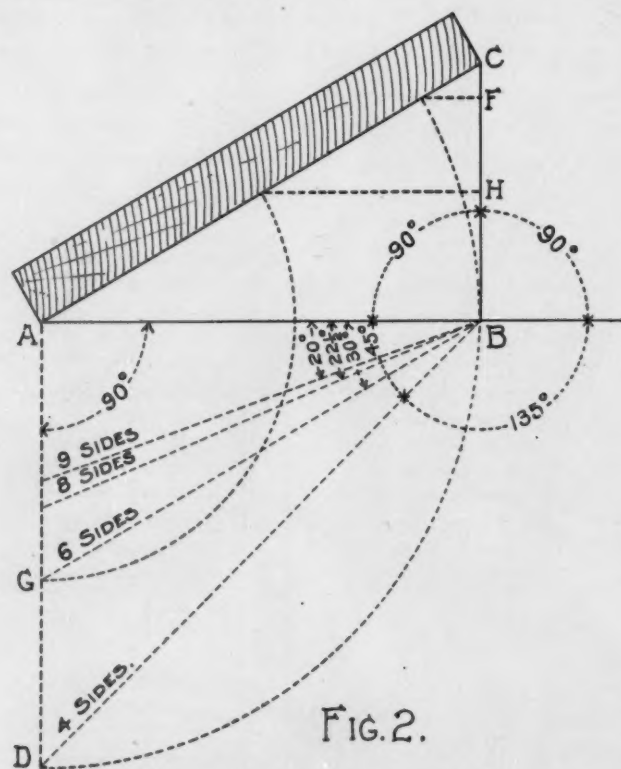


FIG. 2.

letters A B C, forming a triangle. A B represents the run, B C the rise and A C the pitch. NOTE the diagram is governed by the thickness of the purlin and by the pitch given the roof and constitutes the same parts that give the seat and plumb cuts of the common rafter. A C and A B taken on the square will give the angle across the bed of the purlin; the side on which the latter is taken giving the cut. For the miter, take A C and C B on the square and the side on which the latter is taken will give the cut across the side of the purlin.

This is all there is to it, so far as the square cornered building is concerned. The results are correct,

but it is misleading because the part A B is not taken at all in reality; but because the part that should be taken is equal to A B and this occurs only in the case of a square cornered building; neither do the parts as given for the miter cut apply to anything else than the miter for the square corner.

Then the question is, what is the formula that applies to all alike? In Fig. 2 is shown such a formula and is a general rule that applies to all alike. NOTE A B is equal to A D; but if the building had six sides to it, then the part to take would be A G and A C for the cut across the face of the board or the bed of the purlin. The side of the square on which the former is taken gives the cut. For the miter, it is A G and B H. The cut will be on the latter. The miter cut for the square corner is A D and B F. The cut being on the latter. By tracing the dotted lines from F and H, it will be seen that they lead back to the starting points D and G respectively. This clearly illustrates why the points B F and B H are taken.

In connection with this illustration, are shown the starting points for 8 and 9 sided buildings, or their angle, but as we have already taken up all the space that can be spared in this number, we will close for the present, leaving the subject to take up again and illustrate more fully.

A Screw Driver Suggestion

The ordinary screw driver has been in use for so long and is so conventionalized that it would seem presumptuous to suggest any changes. A writer in an English mechanical journal recently expressed his surprise, however, at the number of inefficient screw drivers in use. He claims that no such implement should be shaped down to an edge like a chisel, but should be squared and blunt. The edged tool requires a stronger twist, and cuts more screw heads than it is worth. The driver should be just large enough to fit the groove closely, for tests have shown that a driver which is a fraction too small for the grooves requires almost double the force to turn the screw.

Double Glazing to Exclude Noise

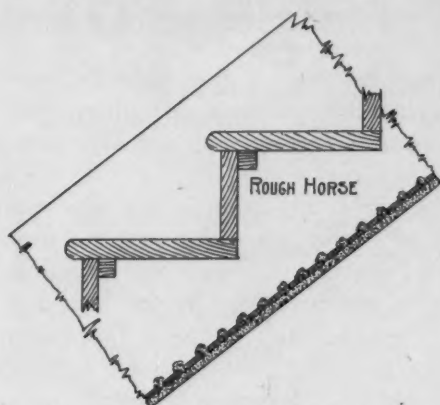
In these days of trolley cars and other noise-producing agencies, the exclusion of this noise from sick-rooms, from studies and from lecture-rooms has become an important practical problem. An English builder has tried, with success, the plan of double-glazing the windows exposed to such annoyances. He found that the noise of heavy wagons and trolley cars was reduced to a bearable degree, and that conversation through a window having two thicknesses of glass, with an air-space between, was almost impossible. Of course, where such a device is adopted, suitable arrangements other than the windows must be made for ventilation, but this ought not to cause any great difficulty.

Shop Kinks

SECOND ARTICLE—A NUMBER OF PRACTICAL HELPS, HINTS AND IDEAS ON MILL WORKING, CABINET MAKING AND CARPENTRY WORK FROM THE EXPERIENCE OF A SHOP FOREMAN

By William C. Jasbury

I WILL start off talking about stair work. Oftimes when going out to measure a job, we find the stairs horsed up between two plastered walls, commonly called boxed stairs. Now to house out the strings, the risers and treads cannot be gotten in their



Scheme for Boxed Stairs

place, for the want of room; and the stairs cannot always be built up elsewhere and slipped in place, so just notch out a couple of strings, right and left, the same rise and tread as the rough horses.

First cut off all the treads neat, that is the width between walls, and nail them to the rough horses, then put the notched strings up, cut the risers between the strings and the show is about over.

The reason a shoe squeaks, is because the outer and inner sole creep or rub against each other while walking. For the same reason glue blocks are put in the angle of riser and tread to prevent creaking stairs.

When nailing the cove under the nosing, the nails should be set up so that they will go into the tread and not the riser, for when the riser shrinks, it will take the cove down with it, if it is nailed to it.

This is how to kerf risers or other pieces so the kerf will exactly close up and not leave the face bunchy. Take the piece of stuff the same thickness as the riser, say $\frac{7}{8}$ inch; measure back from one end a distance equal to the radius on which the riser is to be bent; cut on band saw against a stop the required



For Kerfing Curved Risers

depth, then lay it on a flat surface with kerf up and lift up the radius end until the kerf closes; then measure the distance from the lifted up end to the bench, which will be the distance the kerfs should be apart in the back of the riser. Soak the face of the riser well with water, drive a nail in the end; tie a piece of string to the nail and bend over to the required shape; then take a thin piece of veneer waste, such as comes around stuff from veneer factories, or even

take a piece of canvas and glue over the inside or kerfed side and let lie until dry, then clean up face, etc.

Many times I have steamed a piece of $\frac{3}{4}$ by $\frac{5}{8}$ inch square cornered stuff around such a riser. When cool, cut cove with a gouge, if only one or two are wanted, as it is quicker than running them on the variety moulder, because steamed circle work on the variety moulder is hard to work, it tears out. It is cheaper to make the step cove this way than to hand saw it out of the solid, because it does away with joints. It takes less material and uses what would otherwise be a waste strip. The reason it is bent in the square, or oblong section, before working, is because it will twist and break if worked first.

Next I shall endeavor to give a very satisfactory and mechanical way of fastening together a bull nose tread with a curved riser above it. I put a tongue on the back edge of the bull nose tread, back as far as the extension and the tongue fits into a plow in the lower face of the riser above until it reaches the ex-



PLAN OF BULL NOSE TREAD.

To Fasten Curved Riser to Tread

tension; then the upper riser is cut out or notched over the bull nose tread from there on until it reaches the newel, see illustration. "X" on the plan shows where the notch starts.

Oftimes fellows working on a bull nose tread, have no little thinking to do, on getting the length of a curved riser. A few different ways are, figure it by one-half the diameter; another is with a steel tape, or a thin piece of wood, or a cord or with a wheel similar to a blacksmith's trammel wheel; another is with the compass.

This is for the moulder or sticker man. In making cutters for tongued and grooved stuff, take a piece of steel $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{3}{8}$ by $\frac{5}{8}$ inch and from 6 to 8 inches long. Grind this tongue shape on one end

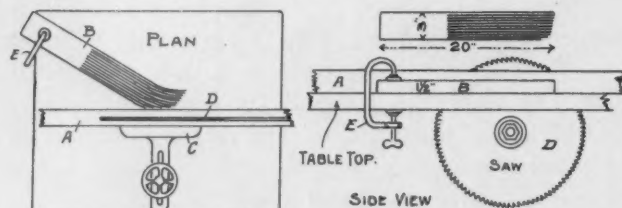


For Tongued and Grooved Work

and groove shape on the other, then bend similar to a horse shoe so that the cutter bolt will fit the inside, as shown in the illustration.

Here is an odd thing I once saw in the mill. I recently worked in a shop where they had a large three-drum sander; when the felt that was originally on the rolls wore, or tore off, instead of getting the sander people to send new, or a man to refelt it, it was done in the mill by some lads, using brussels carpet instead of felt,—and they got away with it too; that's the best part of it.

Here is a spring made of wood, which can be used to advantage in the mill every day in the week. Take a piece of any kind of wood and on the band saw



Wood Spring in Use

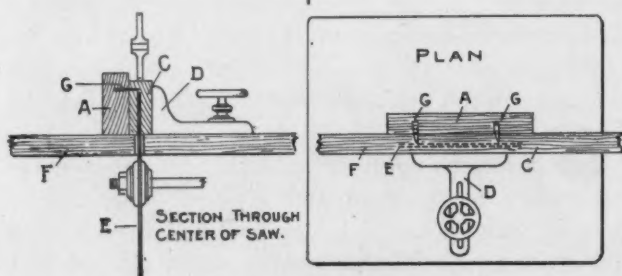
rip kerfs in it lengthwise about $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch apart; then cut the corner round, clamp on table and commence. A slick being ripped, B spring with pressure, C saw gauge, D saw, E clamp.

Here's one for getting out drip cap. I have seen mills where they put thousands of feet of 1 by 4 inch



A Saving in Drip Caps

stuff in front of a machine and run it through. Here's the way to save the strip. Rip out the strip first, then stick on the moulder. This not only saves the strip but saves the heavy cut on the moulder. Here is the way to cut the strip out. Run the stuff on edge on a self-



R for Working Drip Caps

teed saw and where the cut, X, comes the operator had an oak block in which two pocket knife blades were fastened. These knives nearly cut the strip loose, in fact the pull-out man could take a hold of one end and rip it off easily. Here it is. See sectional drawing. A is the oak piece, B feed wheel, C drip cap being cut, D saw gauge, E saw, F saw table, F knife blades. The same letters represent like parts in the plan.

A Few of the Tools You Can't Buy

BY EMERY H. CHASE

There are quite a few of the most useful tools the carpenter uses that are home made for the reason that manufacturers are slow in producing everything the carpenter wants. And so you can't find them listed in catalogues but must proceed to the blacksmith or make them if you wish to have them.

One of them is the little claw or nail-pulling pinch bar. In different localities different forms are used; but after having tried several and having overcome prejudice against the appearance of some of them, I have finally decided in favor of the 24 or 26 inch square or octagon tool steel bar. It is exceedingly useful in repair work and as a spike puller will save hammer handles.

Another useful thing in my chest is the very fine and thin saw. I, of course, could not buy one so I took a corset steel $\frac{5}{8}$ of an inch wide and about 10 inches long and filed fourteen teeth to the inch and did not set it. It works finely. I use it in pattern making; the main object of its use is to avoid much width in the saw kerf. It leaves a kerf only wide enough to admit thick writing paper; and cuts smoothly and rapidly and two pieces sawn in two with this saw and then put together again do not lose much of their original dimensions from the thickness of the saw kerf. It has to be used in a hack saw frame, however. Just try it though!

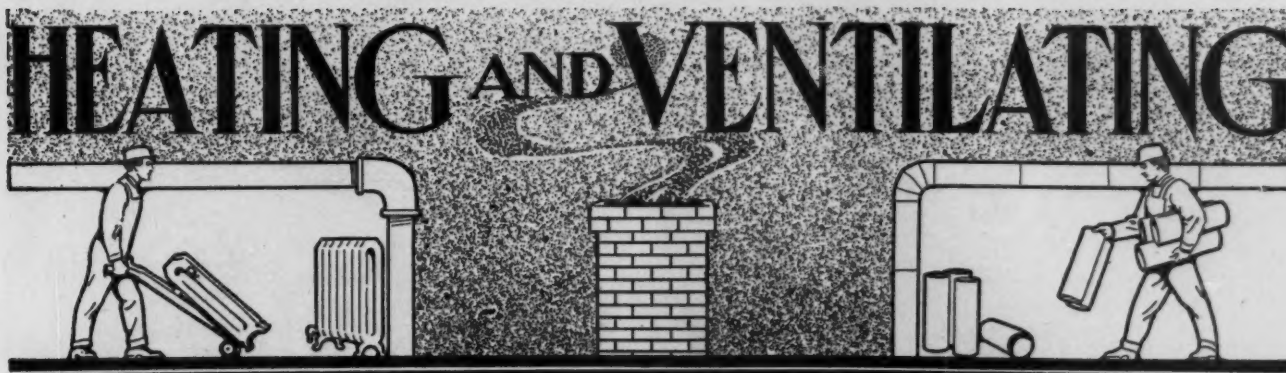
Here is another useful thing I tried—ridges or corrugations running around the hammer handle to keep the hand from slipping, especially when striking hard blows and nailing at a distance. The ridges are like those on the handle of a policeman's club. They should be turned right on the wood when the handle is made. Just carve one out and you will see how nice it works.

Fishermen have good fishing reels; but a good and rapid-winding carpenters chalk-line reel is something not yet dreamed of by the manufacturers. One kind in which the awl can be placed and the line unwound rapidly is on the market, but when the line is re-wound it must be twisted and twisted while winding it by hand. I made one that works with a small crank and consequently the line no longer twists and snarls.

I hope the manufacturers will listen to the users of tools some day.

To Locate Gas Leaks

In searching for gas leaks, trust your nose rather than your eyes. Never look for a leak with a light; open the doors and windows and let out all the gas you can. To produce an explosion the gas and the air must be present in certain proportions before they will ignite, and the necessary proportion of gas is far less than that required to produce a strong odor.



What Is Best Location for Radiators?

SOME INTERESTING POINTS ON THIS SUBJECT OFFERED IN A PAPER BEFORE THE INSTITUTION OF HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEERS

By Frederick Nye

IT may be reasonably assumed that there is a best position for a radiator to occupy in a room, and while the customer often decides where the radiator shall stand, we ought to consider that there is a best position from the heating engineer's point of view if he is at liberty to express his choice.

The position of radiators near a wall that has no windows, but at right angles to and near the wall which has the windows in it, I believe, will give better results than any other.

My attention was first called to it in a house in which I lived some years ago, one room in which was warmed more effectively than the others without any apparent reason. I need scarcely say that I went to all reasonable trouble in trying to find a cause—after once realizing that there was something that wanted accounting for—taking into consideration position of room, temperature of water in the radiator (as compared with the others), the area of radiation, and all that could be thought of or done, and was finally forced to believe the position of the radiator had something to do with it.

It was the only radiator in the house so situated, but there was another one in the same room of a little larger size and next on the circuit to the one in question (but on the wall opposite the windows), and this would not heat the room so well. I tried this several times, and the difference was so marked that it would in words, appear like an exaggeration.

I feel convinced that the position indicated is a good one and better than others. Whether one may be discovered that is still better I do not know, and I must confess to feeling weak in offering any good reason for radiators so situated doing better service in keeping up the temperature of rooms than if fixed in different spots. Perhaps discussion may enlighten us, but I personally can only suggest that it is because the radiator deals effectively with the window end of the room, where almost all the heat loss occurs.

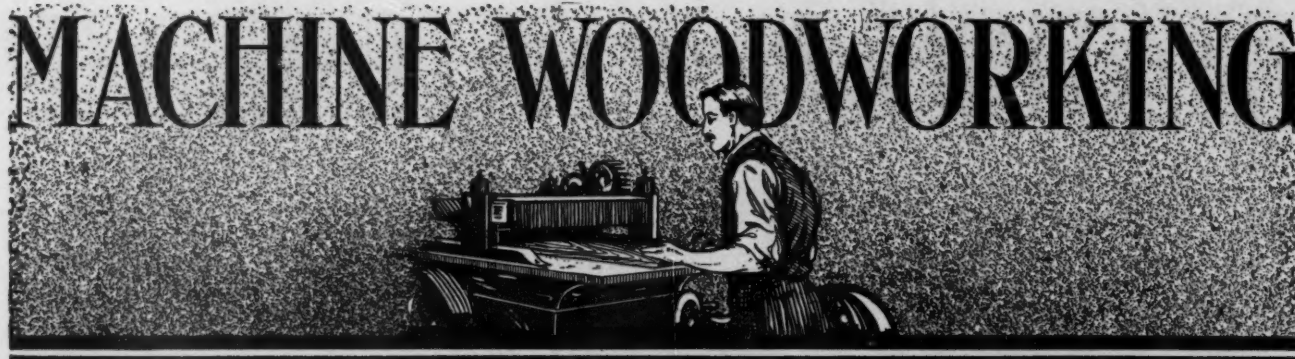
I have not noticed that the position of the fireplace (with its air-extracting chimney) affects the good results; but I have noticed, sufficiently to feel tolerably

certain, that if one of the radiators stands flat against the window wall, the good effect is greatly reduced.

I do not favor putting radiators under windows, for, apart from curtains and drapery affecting results, the warmed air having contact with cold glass, must lessen the degree of warmth the radiator can afford to the room. It is recognized, of course, that the chief work a radiator has to do is to counteract the cooling influence of windows (always assuming that the air entering a room comes from a warmed entrance way). The windows do not constitute the whole work the radiator has to deal with, but, in a residence with a heating apparatus reasonably well arranged, the windows represent the greatest cooling influence in any kind of living room.

A radiator affords the desired sense of comfort by warming the air, the radiant heat from it being a negligible quantity as regards the question now under discussion. The warmth may be said to come from it in the form of a broad and thick ribbon, or flat stream of warmed air, ascending vertically from the radiator, this stream going toward the ceiling where it curves over and spreads, and becomes diffused in all directions more or less. In any case the warmed air goes up a few feet before it does anything toward warming the body of the room, and while this action may be modified in the case of radiators having ventilators behind them, it still remains the general rule.

If, therefore, this flat stream of warmed air first travels up against glass for about five feet, the glass being the great cooling factor in the room, we may suppose that the heat loss due to this cause is made the greatest it can be. I have not had opportunity to test and ascertain the actual difference (if any) in the resulting warmth in a room warmed by a radiator under a window, and one not under a window, but I have been gradually forced to consider that there is a difference sufficient to warrant my practice in allowing (in my own specifications) 15 per cent more radiation than customary when radiators are to go under windows, even though they stand exposed and are not under window seats or window boards.



How Gasoline Engines Run

WHAT EVERY OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A GASOLINE ENGINE OUGHT TO KNOW ABOUT ITS BASIC PRINCIPLES WHICH MAKE IT "GO"

GASOLINE engines are in such general use by building contractors and carpenter and wood-working shop men that the following brief and clearly stated principles telling how such engines "work" will be of real interest to many.

It is a very common "gag" that gasoline engines are apt to be "notional," and to make trouble without apparent cause. This, doubtless, arises from the fact that, they being the simplest motors made, and requiring least attention, are so often run (?) by inefficient men, who give them no efficient attention. Edison has been charged with having made the remark that a machine ought to be so made that a "jackass can run it"; and a gasoline engine comes about as near that standard of perfection as does any machine.

While there are hundreds of makes of gasoline engines on the market, the fundamental principles on which they run are alike in all. If these basic principles are understood by the man running or owning one of these engines, the chances are good that he will have very little need of the services of the engine "expert." These four diagrams and their explanation tell the whole story. They have

crank, on the other end of which is the shaft or crank-shaft.

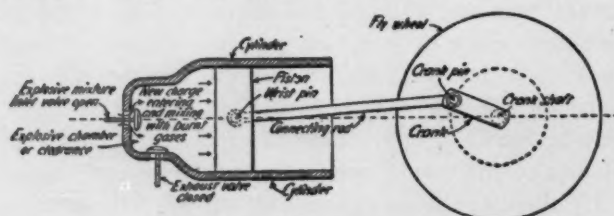
The piston moves back and forth in the cylinder; but when nearest the cylinder-head there is still some space left between the walls, valves, and the piston-head. This space is called the clearance, or the explosion-chamber, and is the space in which the charge is compressed before it is exploded.

In the clearance-walls, or cylinder-head, there are two valves, in the form of disks, which cover the openings or ports. Through one of the valves an explosive mixture, having certain characteristics to be explained later, is admitted from the source of the fuel-supply, and from the air.

Through the other valve the products of combustion, after an explosion, are expelled. Their duty gives the valves the names of inlet and exhaust valves, respectively.

Four strokes are usually required to complete the cycle of events occurring within the cylinder, and to engines requiring these four strokes, the name four-stroke cycle, or four-cycle, is given.

There are certain other engines, with different valve



Diagrams Showing Mechanism of Internal Combustion Engines
Fig. 1—Suction Stroke

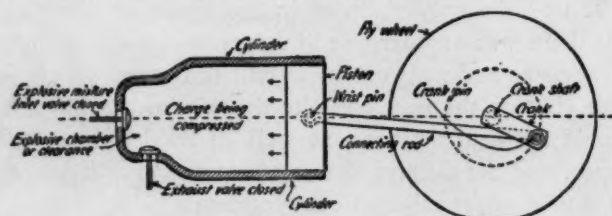


Fig. 2—Compression Stroke

been prepared by a Government expert with the idea of making this matter easily understood.

Every exploding engine operating with crude or gasoline-oil, must have certain parts, no matter how different engines may vary in other details.

These parts are a cylinder, in which the sliding-plug or piston works back and forth carrying a pin, called the wrist-pin, to which is fastened a connecting-rod, the other end of which fits in another pin called the crank-pin.

The crank-pin is at one end of the arm called the

arrangements, which may complete a series of operations in two strokes, and these are called two-cycle engines.

The series of operations requiring four strokes is best illustrated by a set of diagrams. In figures 1 to 4 is shown a cylinder with the parts connected with it. On the first stroke or outstroke (Fig. 1) the piston is drawn forward, either by hand when starting, or by the action of the fly-wheels after the engine is put in motion.

This moving forward of the piston is accompanied

by an opening of the inlet valve, permitting the explosive mixture to follow the piston, and fill the cylinder.

The clearance space, before this suction-stroke begins, is filled with burnt gases from the previous explosion, so that the amount of mixture drawn in will be equal to the volume displaced by the piston, and this fresh mixture will be mixed with some burnt gases. At the end of suction the inlet-valve is closed and compression begins (Fig. 2) continuing through the second stroke.

During this process, both valves are closed, and the fresh charge, together with the residue of burnt gas, is squeezed into the clearance space, so that it will have as a result, a considerable pressure, called the compression-pressure, preparatory to exploding.

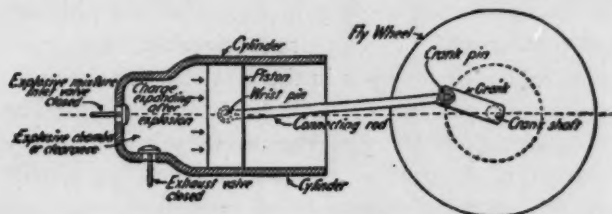
At the end of compression, an electric spark explodes the charge, causing the pressure to rise two to four and one-half times the compression-pressure. This

There must also be a mechanism for automatically producing an electric spark at the proper time. This constitutes the igniting-gear. The explosions will heat the cylinder so much that a lubricating-oil will burn and the piston stick; therefore some cooling device must be supplied, generally in the form of a jacket surrounding the whole cylinder and containing water.

If the engine is to do stationary work, it must operate at a constant or nearly constant speed, regardless of the work done; this requires a governor. The explosions are very loud, therefore these engines are equipped with a "muffler" to lessen the noise.

The rubbing parts, such as the piston, the main bearings, crank-shaft, wrist-pin, crank-pin, valve-gear, igniting-gear, governor, etc., must all be lubricated to prevent overheating, and undue wear, so that a lubrication system is required.

In conclusion; don't put in a gasoline engine with the idea that it will take care of itself. It won't do



Diagrams Showing Mechanism of Internal Combustion Engines
Fig. 3—Expansion Stroke

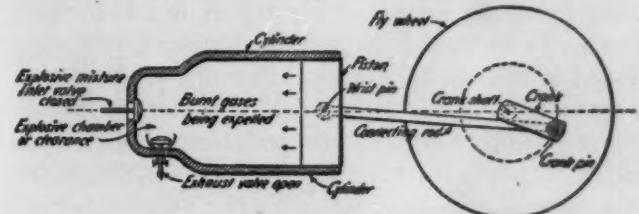


Fig. 4—Exhaust Stroke

high pressure in the clearance space will then drive the piston forward.

This stroke, the third or outstroke (Fig. 3) is accomplished by the high pressure of the gases filling the explosion-chamber; and during the progress of the piston, the pressure gradually falls, as expansion takes place.

During this time both valves are closed, as during the compression. At the end of the expansion (Fig. 4) the exhaust-valve opens, and the piston returns, under the influence of the fly-wheel, which has been spun around by the explosion giving the fourth stroke or instroke.

The exhaust-valve being open for this stroke, most of the burnt gases are expelled, but some are retained in the clearance.

After this, the fifth stroke begins, which is the same as the first stroke, and subsequently the whole series repeats itself indefinitely, and automatically.

While the above operations are usual, and the above parts are likewise important, an engine having no more mechanism than is shown, would not run. There will be required, in addition to what is shown, a valve-gear, which is a mechanism for opening and closing the valve at the proper time.

There must also be some device for making a mixture having the proper characteristics for explosion. This mixture will consist of air, and the vapor of the liquid fuel, so that there must be supplied a carbureter, which vaporizes and mixes at the same time, or a vaporizer which vaporizes without mixing.

that, but there is no prime mover made, unless it may be a water wheel, which will do its work with as little attention. Kept supplied with fuel and lubricating oil, and with proper attention given to keeping the cylinder from overheating, it comes about as near perpetual motion as is possible. Troubles there are, but investigation is very apt to reveal the fact that they are due to slight oversights which may be quickly remedied.

A New Substitute for Steel

With practically an unlimited field in which to use it, an English firm has begun the manufacture of duralumin, a new alloy of aluminum, which may in time become a substitute for steel in work where lightness, strength and flexibility is required. H. B. Weeks, head chemist at Vickers' Sons & Maxim's works at Barrow, England, is the discoverer of duralumin. It is a little heavier than pure aluminum, but is as strong as steel and about one-third the weight of brass. It can be rolled, drawn, stamped, extended, or forged. It does not corrode as easily as other aluminum alloys.

The one big drawback to the extensive use of aluminum, aside from its expensiveness, is the fact that while its tensile strength equals that of steel, it is far less flexible. The new alloy overcomes that defect, according to the inventor. The firm has such faith in duralumin and of the future demand for it that it is building works at Birmingham to manufacture it and has patented it in all countries of the world.



How to Make a Morris Chair and a Rocker

COMPLETE DETAILED DIRECTIONS WITH WORKING DRAWINGS SHOWING HOW TO MAKE THE TWO
PIECES OF FURNITURE SHOW IN THE PHOTO

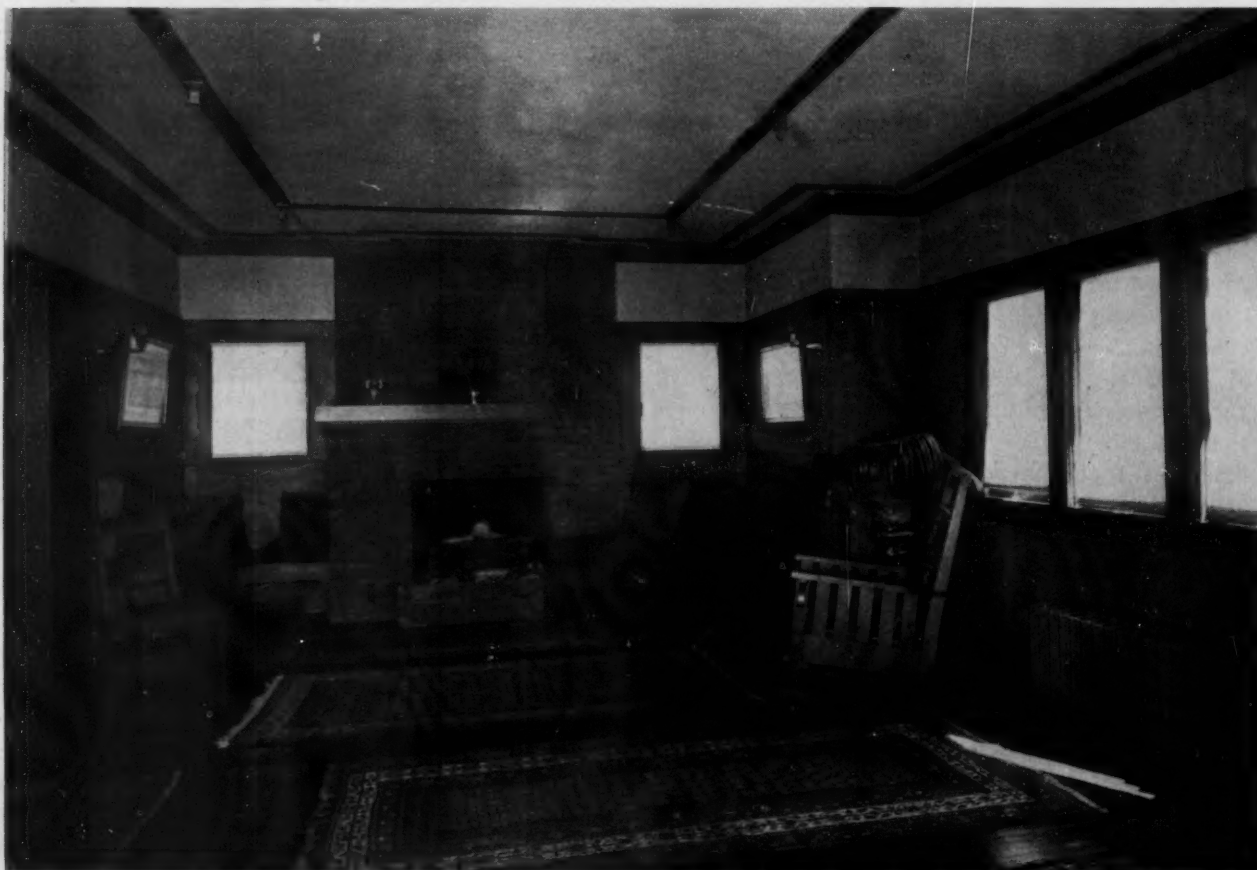
WE describe two necessary pieces of furniture for the living room this month and show a photograph of them in their home surroundings. The rocking chair has been a part of our American house furnishings so long that no home is considered furnished without one of them for each member of the family. They tell us that the rocker is strictly an American piece of furniture, not being found in continental Europe. Possibly, as some philosophers tell us, it is favored here because of our nervous temperament that demands constant action and is, as they say, the very kind of chair we should not use, because it tends to aggravate our national failing; but it certainly is a comfort and is here to stay.

The Morris chair, an English importation, finds just as favorable reception and is rapidly becoming looked

upon as a necessity. It so readily supplants the use of the rocker that we are inclined to doubt the above mentioned philosophy.

The Morris chair and also the rocker here described are intended to be fitted with spring seat cushions and well filled back cushions. The expense of the spring seat cushion is but slightly in excess of the ordinary filled cushion and is much more serviceable. However, if one desires he may put in the seat slabs as shown in the drawing and use the ordinary seat cushion. The spring seat cushions, like the ordinary cushions, are independent of the chair and can be taken out at will. Any upholsterer can make these cushions or they can be made by the home worker himself.

Both pieces should be made of well seasoned, clear, quarter-sawed white oak. The following stock bill



STURDY, HAND MADE FURNITURE IN THE HOME

Complete Directions are Given with Working Drawings for Making the Morris Chair and the Rocker.

is for the Morris chair and provides for the most economical use of mill and hand tools.

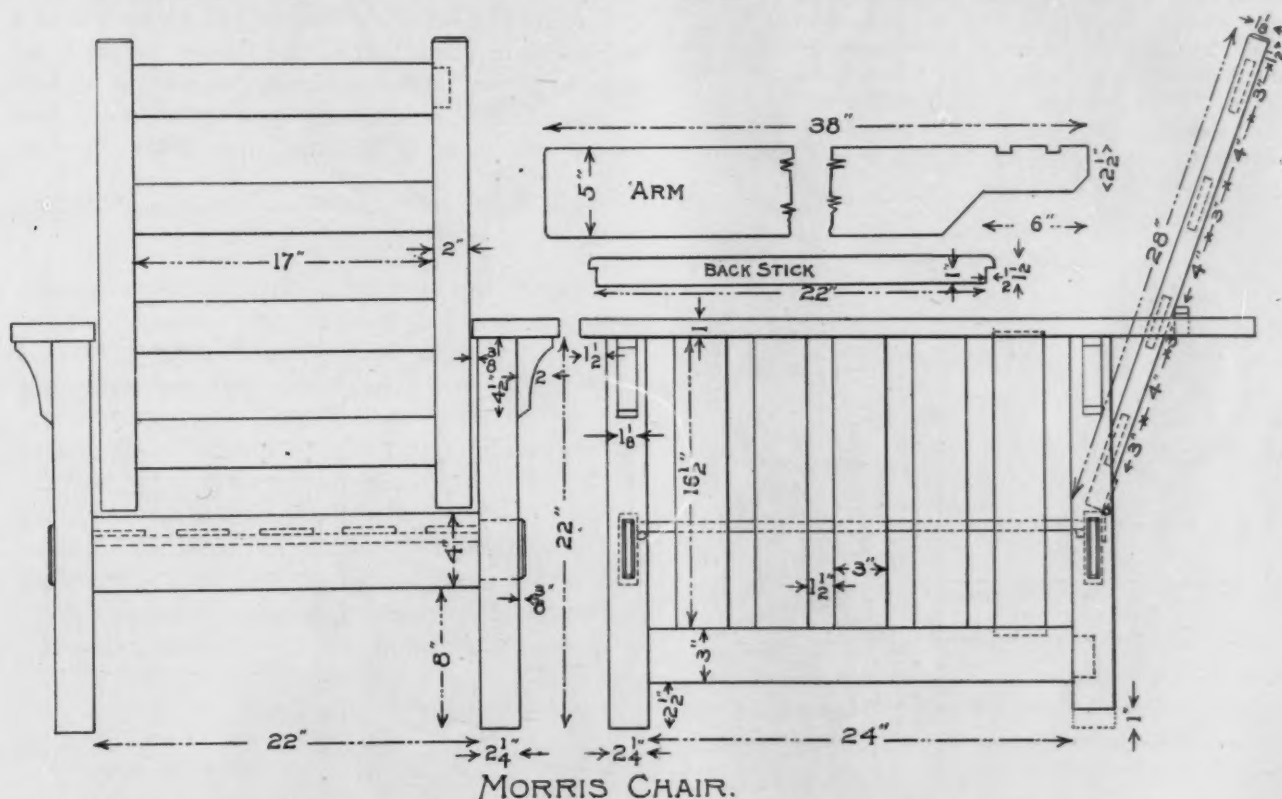
STOCK BILL FOR MORRIS CHAIR.

Posts, 4 pieces, $2\frac{1}{4}$ by $2\frac{1}{4}$ by $22\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Front and back rails, 2 pieces, 1 by 4 by 28 inches, S-4-S.
 Side rails, 2 pieces, 1 by 3 by 27 inches, S-4-S.
 Side slats, 10 pieces, $\frac{1}{2}$ by 3 by $17\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Arms, 2 pieces, 1 by 5 by $38\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Brackets, 4 pieces, $1\frac{1}{8}$ by $2\frac{1}{4}$ by 5 inches, S-2-S.
 Cleats, 2 pieces, 1 by 1 by $22\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Seat slats, 5 pieces, $\frac{3}{8}$ by 3 by 26 inches, S-4-S.
 Back verticals, 2 pieces, $1\frac{1}{8}$ by 2 by $28\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Back horizontals, 4 pieces, $\frac{5}{8}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$ by $19\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Back stick, 1 piece, $\frac{3}{4}$ by $1\frac{1}{2}$ by $24\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.

The posts should be worked first. Square up the top ends of each. The lower ends need not be squared as they are to be cut off on slopes after the chair has been put together. From the top ends

Next shape the arms as shown in the working drawing and cut the side slats to length. Now lay the arms and side rails side by side and lay out for the location of the mortises which are to receive the ends of the slats. It will be found much easier to "house" the whole end of the slat in both arm and lower rail than to attempt to shoulder them. Any slight variation in the straightness of the arm or the edge of the rail will then make no difference in the way the joints fit. The lower rail is thick enough to permit this. These ends should not be let in any more than is necessary, about $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{8}$ of an inch at each end.

Scrape and sandpaper and put the sides of the chair in the clamps using good hot glue. The arms are to be fastened to the posts by means of dowels and glue.



measure off and lay out the mortises in the posts. To help in the visualizing of the locations of these mortises it will be well to stand the posts up in the positions they are to occupy relative to one another in the finished chair and mark roughly, as with penciled circle, their approximate locations. After this has been done the posts may be laid down on the bench and measured and marked accurately, placing them side by side in pairs and making their top ends even with the try-square.

In selecting the face sides of the posts remember that the faces are to be turned in to make the joints and for this reason the face sides will not want to be the sides with the most attractive grain.

Having worked the mortises of the posts, the side and front and back rails should be laid out and tenoned. These will want to be laid out in pairs.

The brackets are to be fastened in place with dowels and glue, also.

While these parts are drying, the back may be made. This is a simple frame and its construction presents nothing difficult. The horizontals are to be tenoned into the verticals. They may be shouldered on the two edges only if desired. Place this in the clamps using one at each horizontal.

Remove the clamps from the chair ends or sides and place the front and back rails. Make sure the chair frame squares up by measuring the two diagonals by means of two sticks. If necessary put a clamp across the longer diagonal and draw it up until both are alike and leave it there until the glue has had time to set thoroughly.

Put in the cleats when the clamps can be taken off the chair and put in the necessary slats. Make the

back stick according to the working drawing and cut the recesses for it in the arms. Hinge the back and cut off the bottoms of the posts as shown. To lay off for the cuts on the posts lay a straight-edge across both posts at once.

Remove any surplus glue and scrape and sandpaper the chair until it is ready for the finish.

How to Make the Mission Rocker

The Mission rocker will be found roomy, and comfortable like the Morris chair. There will be needed the following pieces:

STOCK BILL FOR MISSION ROCKER.

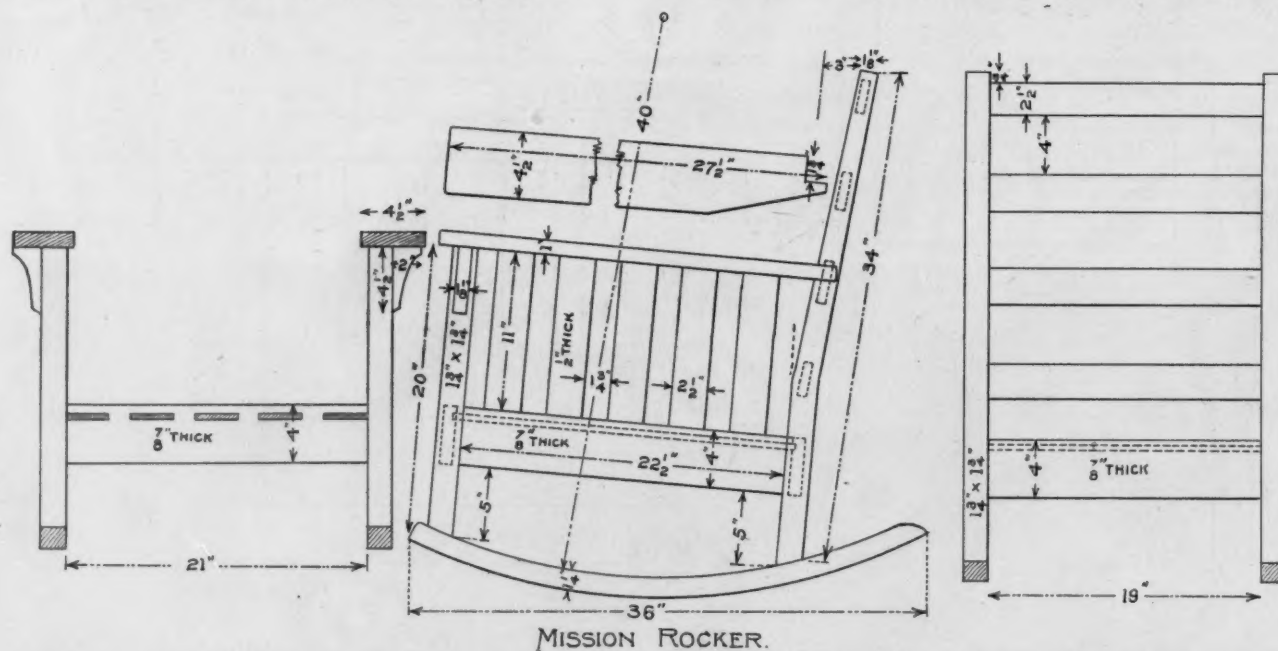
Front posts, 2 pieces, $1\frac{3}{4}$ by $1\frac{3}{4}$ by 21 inches, S-4-S.
 Back posts, 1 piece, $1\frac{3}{4}$ by 6 by 35 inches, S-2-S.
 Front rail, 1 piece, $\frac{7}{8}$ by 4 by 23 inches, S-4-S.
 Back rail, 1 piece, $\frac{7}{8}$ by 4 by 22 inches, S-4-S.
 Back rails, 4 pieces, $\frac{5}{8}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$ by 22 inches, S-4-S.
 Side rails, 2 pieces, $\frac{7}{8}$ by 4 by $25\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Side slats, 10 pieces, $\frac{1}{2}$ by $2\frac{1}{2}$ by 12 inches, S-4-S.
 Brackets, 2 pieces, $1\frac{1}{8}$ by $2\frac{1}{4}$ by 5 inches, S-2-S.
 Arms, 2 pieces, 1 by $4\frac{1}{2}$ by $27\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-4-S.
 Seat slats, 5 pieces, $\frac{3}{8}$ by 3 by 25 inches, S-4-S.
 Rockers, 1 piece, $1\frac{3}{4}$ by $6\frac{1}{2}$ by $36\frac{1}{2}$ inches, S-2-S.

to shape the tenons on the side rails accordingly. This angle is best obtained by laying out the chair seat frame to scale, or better to full size, and getting the setting from the drawing. After the glue has set on the front and back parts, the clamps may be removed and the side rails inserted and clamped together with the side slats and the arms. The arms and rockers are to be fastened to the posts by means of dowels and glue. The side slats are to be tenoned into the rail and arm. The brackets are to be doweled and glued.

For the seat, the front and back rails are to be grooved before they are put in place and the seat slats inserted in these when the front and back of the chair are assembled.

Painting a Metal Roof White

A recent number of the *Painter's Magazine* tells of a tin roof to be painted white, the former coating being metallic brown. Their advice is that when a tin roof is painted white it is usually done to deflect the rays of the sun, so as to have the space below the roof



MISSION ROCKER.

Shape the two front posts then the two back posts and lay out the mortises in them. The suggestions given for the Morris chair will apply equally here. By exercising a little forethought the manner of getting both back posts from the one piece of stock specified will appear. The two rockers, too, are to be got from one piece of stock. As in the Morris chair, the lower ends of the posts are to be cut to fit the rockers after the chair frame has been assembled.

Lay out the side and front and back rails, cutting them to length and working the tenons to fit the mortises cut in the posts.

Shape the arms and the brackets which support them. Put the front of the chair, then the back of the chair, together with glue and clamps. Since the back of the chair is narrower than the front it will be necessary

somewhat cooler than when a dark paint has been employed. One cannot expect, however, to produce a well-covered white job with one coat of white lead paint, even if made from pure lead and linseed oil. Use pure white lead in oil, as the basis of the paint, omitting zinc white as being too brittle, and if pure white lead paint is too high in cost, add whiting and barytes as cheapeners, but not in excess. Ten per cent whiting and twenty per cent barytes should be the limit. Use pure raw linseed oil only with very little drier and only enough turpentine or turps. substitute to make the paint work freely. Brush the roof well with a stiff broom, so as to remove all that is loose of the brown paint, and add to the white paint for first coat a trifle of lampblack to make it a light lead color, upon which the second coat of paint will be pure white.

Pen Sketching Simplified

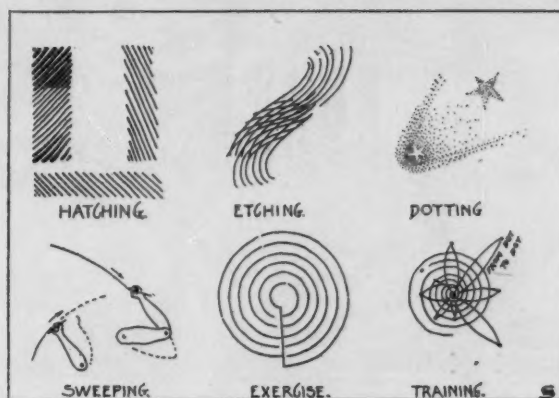
AN ADDITIONAL ARTICLE ON THIS SUBJECT FOLLOWING THE SERIES OF THREE CONCLUDED IN THE MAY, 1910, NUMBER—VALUABLE SKETCHING POINTS FOR ALL WHO DRAW PLANS

By Conrad H. B. Schaefer

EVERY medium with which one can draw pictures has its own peculiarities. These, instead of being defects, may be developed into characteristics of unusual beauty. Thus in the charcoal drawing the impossibility of making clear outlines is

When the shading is not quite dark enough it is best to go over some of the lines a second time, as shown in the hatching exercise on the practice illustration. Another point is to avoid awkwardness of lines by making them gracefully. This is characteristic of etchings.

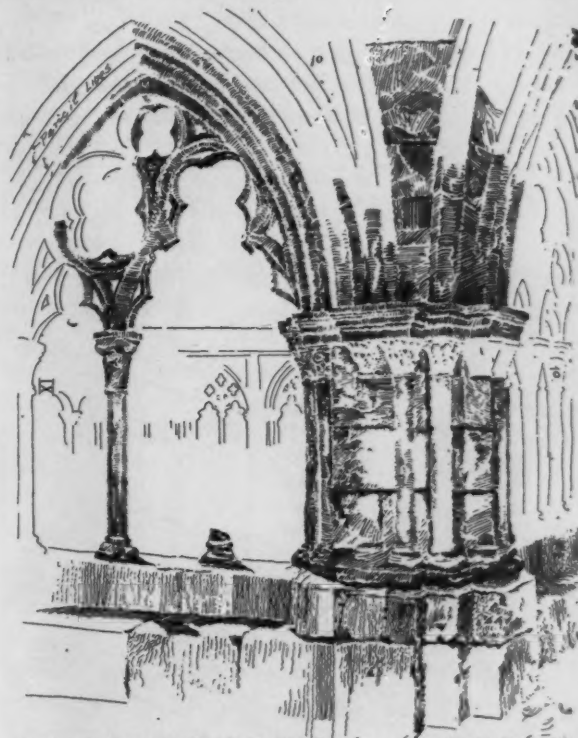
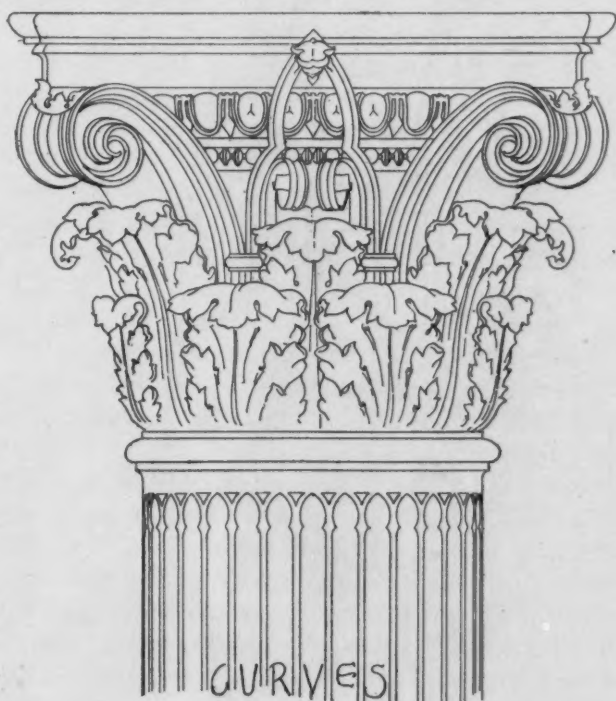
In high lights it is often necessary to break the lines and resort to dotting.



EXERCISE d.

developed into a beautiful softness and blending of light and shade. The indistinct half printed lines of an etching are utilized to secure an effect of atmosphere. After sufficient practice in pen and ink drawing to have learned the difficulty of securing some artistic effects, it will be seen that the beauty of the pen sketch lies in accenting the variety of outline and brilliancy of light and shade to be found.

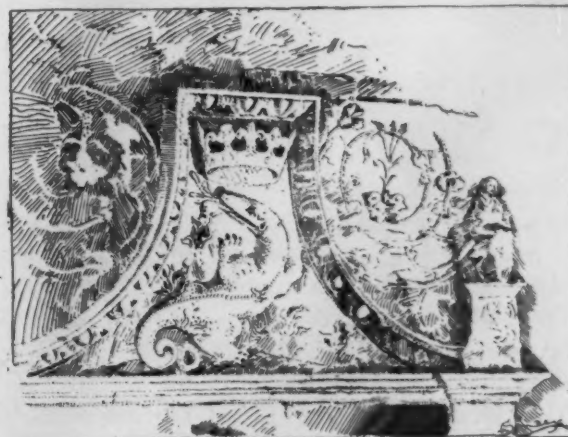
In the high lights outlining the details has to be omitted, for it darkens the light. Then, again, in the shady portion one may show as much detail as possible and find additional lines unnecessary.



AN ILLUSTRATION IN PROCESS OF PENCILING AND INKING IN.

When the fingers are well trained it will be found helpful practice moving the arm in parallel sweeping motions. It helps keep the lines true. Another difficulty will be quickly overcome by the practice of drawing circles.

One of the most important duties is to carefully plan the rendering of the drawing. Think it out before-



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hand—the kind of lines to be used, how much and the best position in which to draw them, and so on. Even in drawing a single line, make a dot at the other end towards which to train the movement. It will save crookedness and erasures.

With practice one learns to omit such particulars as these; but they are all, nevertheless, in the mind, in the hand and eye, guiding one to success.

The free and easy manner of drawing and the beautiful work that may result come from careful practice, as has been outlined in the three previous lessons. Do not be discouraged by thinking that some artist is more gifted by nature; but go to work carefully and win the nature as all artists have to.

It is often a great gain to become even appreciative of good art, for many persons who see the freedom with which sketchy, playful work is thrown off under-

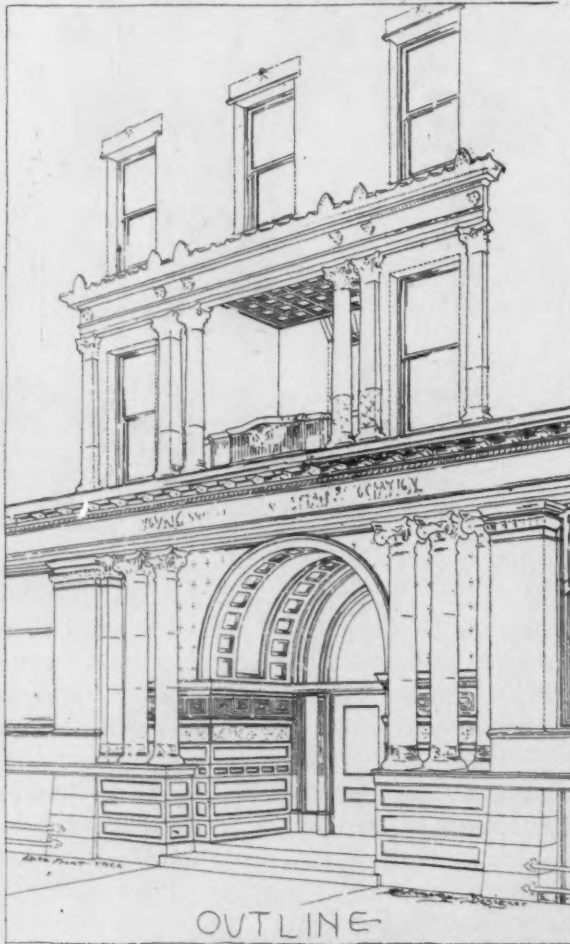


attractive the sketch is than the full line methods of the shell wood cuts that were once so much copied.

The building entrance—the fifth illustration—shows what may be done in outline perspective. All the important details are fully shown, though much unnecessary work is omitted.

The colonial sketch—sixth illustration—is very simple, but gives a true impression of the white and dignified country meeting house.

In the composition of buildings we have the ultimate aim of every artist and designer. It is the repre-



value its seriousness and thereby run the risk of mortification sooner or later.

Fore-shortening curves is such an obstacle that it is wise to overcome it with a little special practice. The acanthus leaves as they turn around the column, in the second illustration, form a good illustration.

The gothic corridor drawing—the third illustration—is about half finished. It shows the progress of the shading.

The spirited rendering of the flat ornamental subject, in the fourth illustration, shows how much more



sentation of things to be desired. When one has at last mastered the art one is no longer hampered by how one shall draw, but the mind is free to consider the proportions and the practical work necessary in realizing the subject one has in mind. The first ideas may have been but hazy impressions, but by well directed study one's sketchy little pictures may be made as reliable an instrument as any bond and contract devised by legal state.

And so the carpenter who guides the rough grown log through a multitude of processes to the accomplishment of some idea he has in view, is an artist to whom pen sketching will be found helpful in many ways.



Fees of Architects

The American Institute of Architects allows 6 per cent for complete architectural services, including sketches, working drawings and details, taking of figures, letting of contracts, superintendence of the construction and the payment of all contractors' bills. This institute, however, recommends a higher scale for residences and alteration work. Most architects adopt a sliding scale, 7 to 8 per cent for work less than \$10,000 and 6 per cent for all work over that amount.

"What should be charged," declares an architect in *Country Life in America*, "is 10 per cent straight for all residence work. This is the amount of clear profit usually figured upon by the contractor. I have kept careful count of the time spent on all work turned out of my office, and by an empirical rule based on the salaries of the draughtsmen employed this time is reduced to office hours. I have figured that to return myself an income of \$5,000 a year there should be a gross receipt of \$3 for each office hour expended on a building. Perhaps to expect an income of \$5,000 a year is presumptuous in as humble a member of society as an architect.

"Nevertheless, some of us do, and if it were not for a factory building once in a while most of us would be disappointed. Of eight houses recently completed the lowest return was \$1.75 an office hour and the highest \$3.19, with an average of \$2.28. Remodeling jobs at 10 per cent commission will return higher. I might further state that my office is run in a very economical way and the maximum salary paid is \$25 a week. This should amply demonstrate that the practice of architecture is not a lucrative one, and I believe that of the professions it returns the least in

money for the capital invested, the arduous labor required and the great responsibilities incurred.

"Possibly we make one set of sketches; more likely we make five or six. Consultations with our clients last usually from 8 p. m. to 11:30, and we cheerfully give up our evenings because our client tactfully informs us that he is too busy during the day to waste any time talking about plans. Finally the plans are completed and are changed back and forth and back again, each time patiently and for nothing. The specifications also are completed. An owner should realize that an architect is not a necromancer. He is just as dependent as the owner on the contractor. He cannot, by a wave of his hand or his pencil, make a \$10,000 house cost \$5,000. An owner can say, 'Here is \$6,000; do the best you can for me,' or he can say, 'I want so any so; keep the price as low as you can.' But he cannot say, 'I want so and so and won't pay a cent over \$6,000 for it.' Maybe he can get it, and maybe he can't. The contractor determines that question.

"The architect will make mistakes, but small wonder. Did you ever stop to consider what an architect must know? First, the artistic side: here we must start with a certain amount of Godgiven talent. To design properly an architect must have or thinks he must have exact and intimate knowledge of the great styles of architecture. This knowledge is usually acquired in four years of arduous study at school, either at home or abroad. Furthermore he must know something—no, he must know a great deal—about the following professions: Civil engineering, the design of beams, trusses, etc., mechanical engineering for heating and power plants, sanitary engineering for plumbing, electrical engineering for wiring, etc.

"To construct his building he must have exact and minute knowledge of each one of the twelve or more trades that enter into it. This is essential for efficient superintendence and it comprises, for instance, knowledge of characteristics of all kinds of woods, the properties of all varieties of building stone, the strengths of the different mixtures of concrete, properties of plaster and methods of manufacture, the same of slate, sheet metal, hardware, glass, tile, paints, stains and varnishes, plumbing goods, boilers, radiators, etc. Not only that, but he must be acquainted with the prices of these articles. He must be a business man, for he lets all your contracts and pays by certificate all your bills, and he must have a knowledge of building law because under the laws of most States mechanics' liens may be levied by contractors, sub-contractors, and yet after all—artist, engineer, builder, financier, lawyer though he be—it availeth him nothing if he cannot get the job."

Filial Generosity

"Your father looks very nice with his gray hairs."
"Yes, dear old chap! I gave him those."

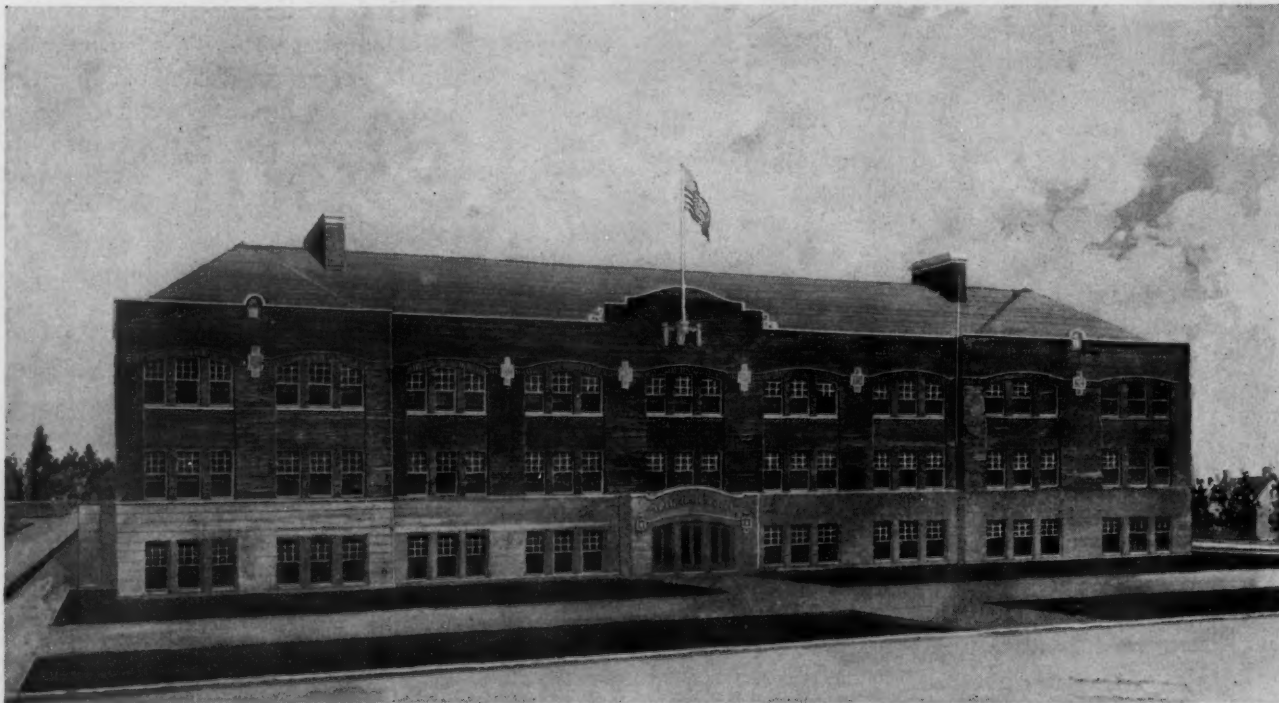


Competitive Design for School

PERSPECTIVE DRAWING AND FLOOR PLANS SHOWING DESIGN AND ARRANGEMENT OF LARGE MODERN SCHOOL BUILDING

THE problem presented by the design of a modern city school building is threefold. In the first place it must be so designed that the floor plans will suit the scholastic and administrative needs of the school. Second, the building must conform to the latest practice in economical, safe and sanitary construction. And third, satisfactory and ready maintenance must be assured. Added to these three necessary, practical requirements, there is also the architectural appearance of the building to be taken into consideration. The public school building usually

it is not at all strange that certain architects have given it special study and in consequence have come to be something of school-house specialists. The school-house architect has to know, as intimately as the school superintendent, the uses to which the building and its various parts are to be put. He has to understand all about school-house heating, lighting and ventilation, and he has to be well posted on the several laws and building regulations pertaining to school-house building frequently being passed in the several states.



Competitive Design Submitted by G. W. Ashby, Architect, Chicago, for the Lincoln Parish School, Ruston, La.;
L. J. Bell, President, T. A. Green, Superintendent

occupies a rather prominent location; and so an attractive outward appearance, while not as essentially important as the interior arrangement, is nevertheless highly desirable.

In view of the complicated nature of this problem, together with the many technical features presented,

The perspective and floor plans presented herewith show what may be taken as a model city school building, in which all these various factors have been rated at their true worth. This building has been designed by the architect, G. W. Ashby, with the idea of keeping the front of the building as plain as possible,

consistent with good appearance, while putting the main emphasis on the solution of the complicated school-house planning problem as outlined above. The result is an exceedingly practical design, economical considering the accommodations provided, and in all a dignified, well-appearing structure.

This building is laid out in a modified E form, a two-story auditorium or assembly room forming the

ber of rooms being provided. The chemical and physical laboratories are on this floor and from it entrance is had to the balcony of the assembly hall.

A study of the floor plans will show the main features of the arrangement of this school building. Note the generous width of the main corridor and the fact that four stairways are provided.

The exterior is of dressed stone for the basement course and brick with stone trimmings above.

To Prevent Dusting of Concrete Floors

By ALBERT MOYER

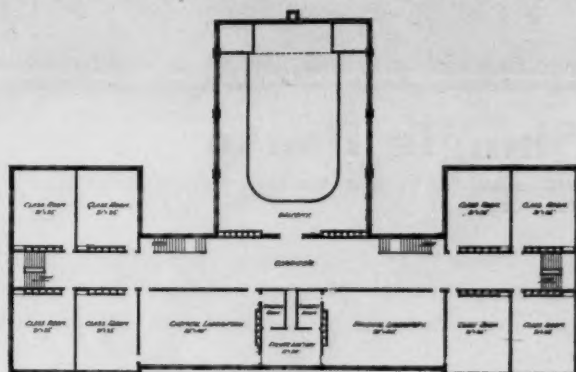
Cement floors, particularly in office buildings or warehouses, which do not have the advantage of obtaining the necessary moisture from the atmosphere such as outside floors and sidewalks on which the dew falls at night, if not properly protected and kept damp, become prematurely dry and are therefore more or less porous and weak, causing easy abrasion under foot traffic, or what is commonly known as dusting.

Care should be exercised in keeping such floors damp by covering with wet sand, wet hay or straw, for a week or more until the floor has properly hardened. If this has not been done and the floors are found to dust under foot traffic, the following remedy will be found very easy to accomplish, economical and effective.

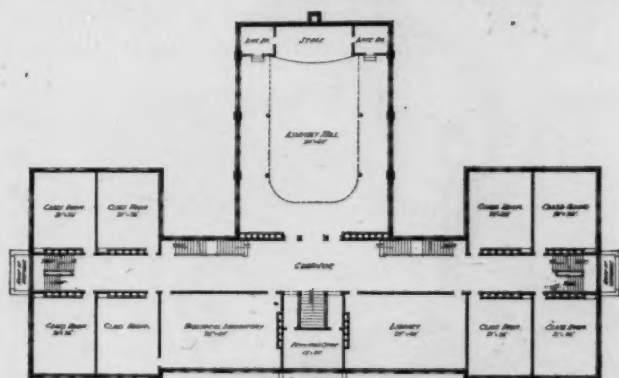
Wash the floor thoroughly with clean water, scrubbing with a stiff broom or scrubbing brush, removing all dirt and loose particles. Allow the surface to dry. As soon as dry apply a solution of one part water-glass (sodium silicate) of 40 degrees Baumé, and 3 to 4 parts of water, the proportion of water depending upon the porosity of the concrete. The denser the concrete the weaker the solution required. Stir well, and apply this mixture with a brush (a large white-wash brush with long handle will be found the most economical). Do not mix a greater quantity than you can use in an hour.

If this solution is sufficiently thin, it will penetrate the pores of the concrete. Allow the concrete surface thus treated to dry. As soon as dry, wash off with clean water using a mop. Again allow surface to dry and apply the solution as before. Allow to dry and again wash off with clean water, using a mop. As soon as the surface is again dry, apply the solution as before. If the third coat does not flush to the surface apply another coat as above.

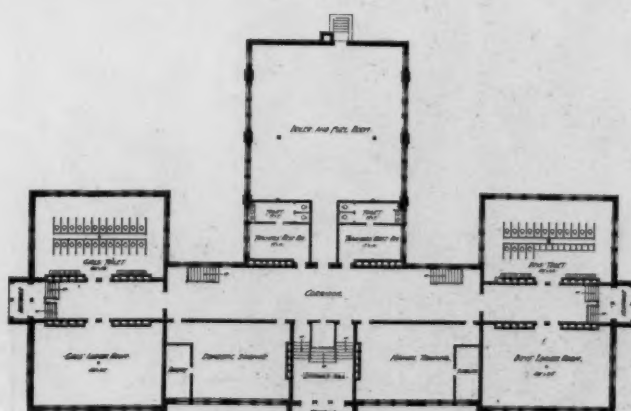
The sodium silicate which remains on the surface, not having come in contact with the other alkalis in the concrete, is readily soluble in water and can therefore be easily washed off, thus evening up the color and texture of the floor. That which has penetrated into the pores, having come in contact with the other alkalis in the concrete, has formed into an insoluble and very hard material, hardening the surface, preventing dusting and adding materially to the wearing value of the floor.



Third Floor Plan

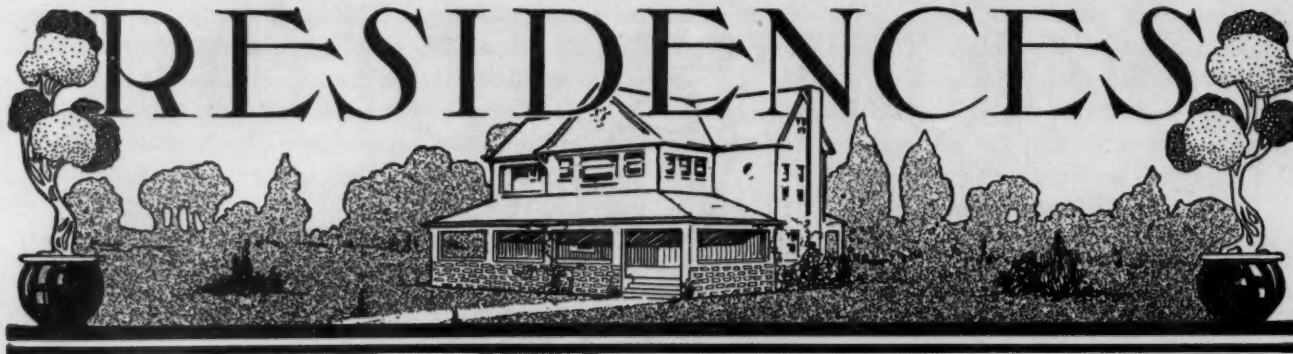


Main Floor Plan



First or Basement Floor Plan

middle bar of the letter. On the first or basement floor are the manual training and domestic science rooms, also the locker and toilet rooms and the heating plant, this latter being in the central extension under the assembly hall. On the first floor are eight class rooms, 21 by 26 feet in size, a library, biological laboratory and the main floor of the auditorium. The principal's office is on this floor, situated immediately above the main entrance to the building. The third floor is laid out in the same way as the main floor, the same num-



Large Brick and Shingle House

COMPLETE SET OF PLANS, WITH ALL DIMENSIONS AND DETAILS FROM WHICH THIS ATTRACTIVE RESIDENCE CAN BE BUILT

A DESIGN that ought to be popular with a great many builders this year is presented herewith. The perspective drawing is presented on this page and on the six pages following the complete set of architects drawings from which this house can be built, is reproduced. Since all dimensions are given, besides the drawings being made to scale, this set

to the second story a 13-inch brick wall is used, the second story being of frame construction; 2 by 4 studs set 16 inches on centers, sheathed and covered with shingles.

A striking feature of the exterior is the front porch. This extends clear across the front of the house, but only the central portion is roofed over, an artistic per-



Substantial Residence Exhibiting Many Good Points, Designed for Mr. A. J. Saxe, Hinsdale, Ill.

of plans ought to be of a great deal of assistance for practical building purposes.

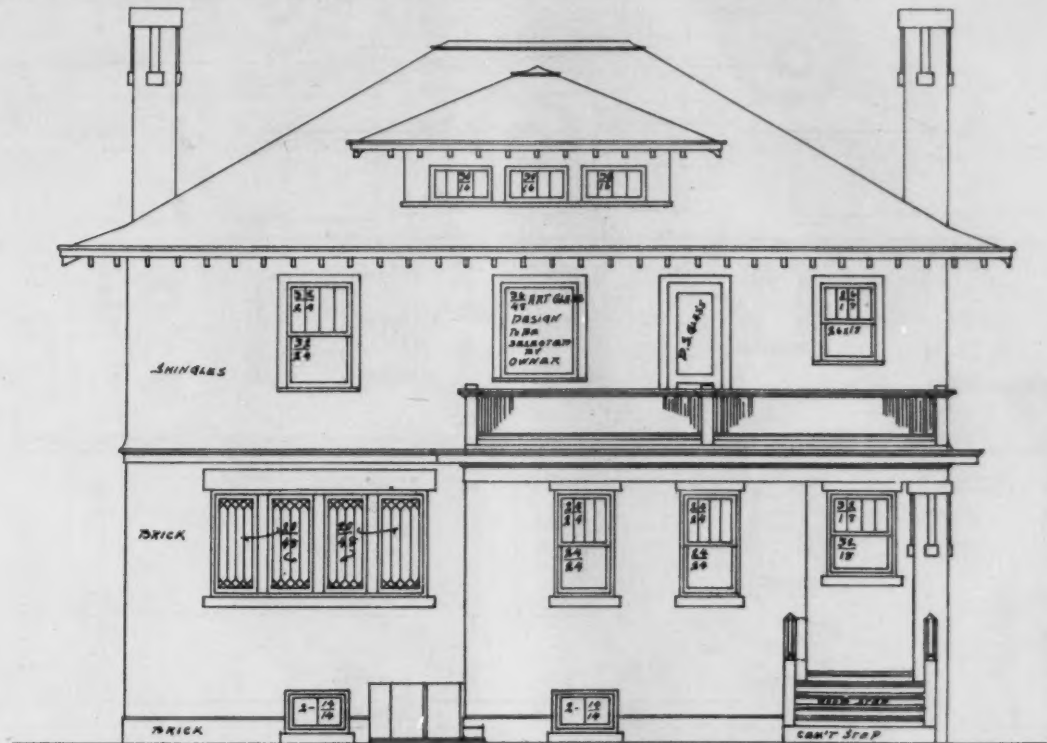
This is a combined brick and shingle house of the square-cut, hip-roof design which is now so popular. The basement wall is of concrete, 13 inches thick, resting on 10 by 24 inch footings. From the grade

gola arrangement covering the section at each side.

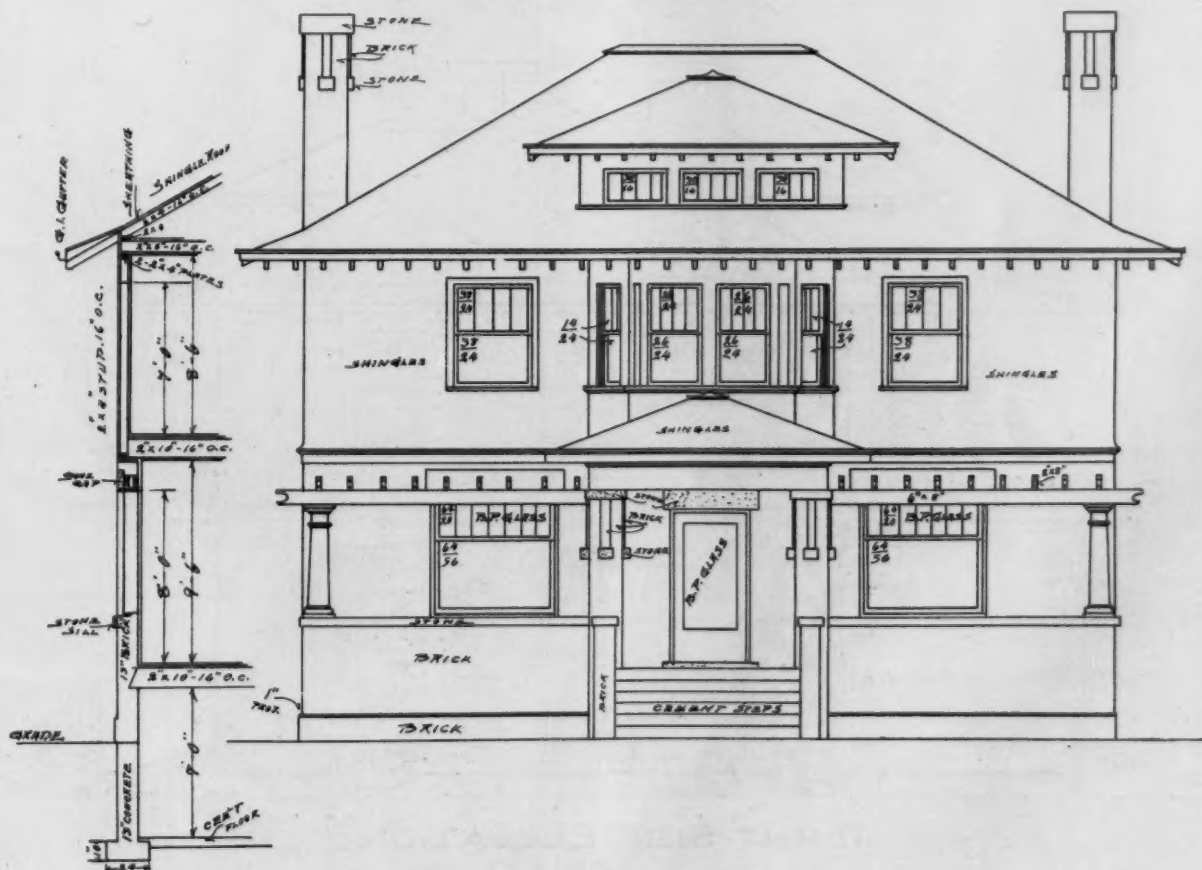
The arrangement of the space inside shows many good features. On the first floor the living room takes up practically one-half the entire space of the house. It extends clear across the front, being approximately 16 by 32 feet in size. It is very attractively finished

with beamed ceiling and a large fireplace at one end; a nook with built-in seats, and a simple grille work separating it from the rest of the room. The arrangement of the stairway is unusual—an open stairway out of the living room, yet going up between closed walls. To the right of the stairway is the square dining room;

a very cheerful and home-like apartment. To the left of the stairway a small room opens which serves as a lavatory.³ This opens into the kitchen and is a very desirable feature of this plan. The pantry is well placed for convenience and gives a large amount of case and cabinet space.



REAR ELEVATION



FRONT ELEVATION

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On the second floor there are four large-sized bedrooms, with plenty of closet space. The bathroom is on this floor and is located directly above the kitchen, thereby simplifying the plumbing installation and making it a great deal less expensive than when the va-

rious plumbing fixtures are widely separated. The balcony at the back of the house opens out of the upstairs hall. This is a very desirable feature. An interesting feature of the basement of this house is the square-cornered cement cistern built in one corner.

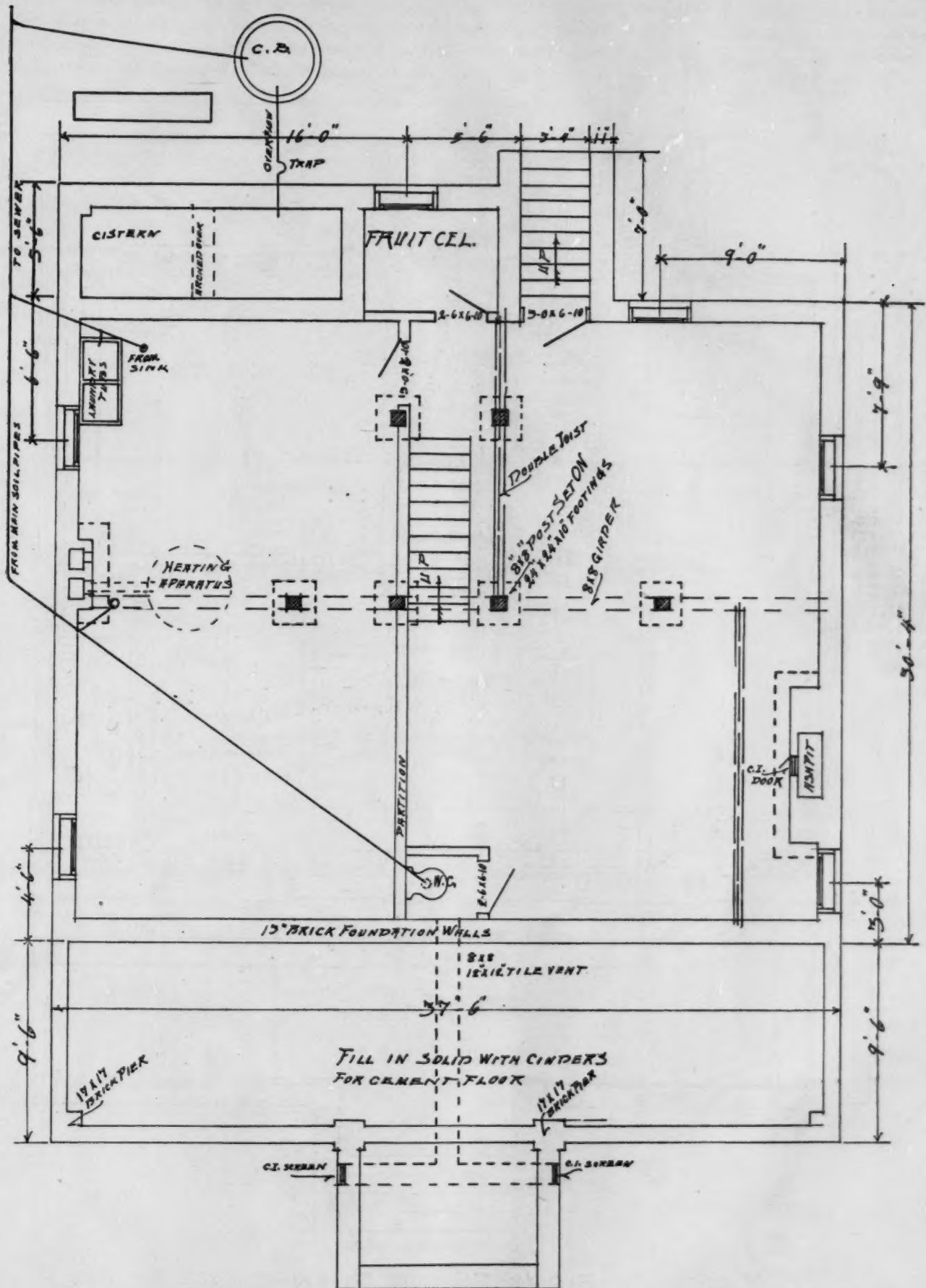


LEFT SIDE ELEVATION



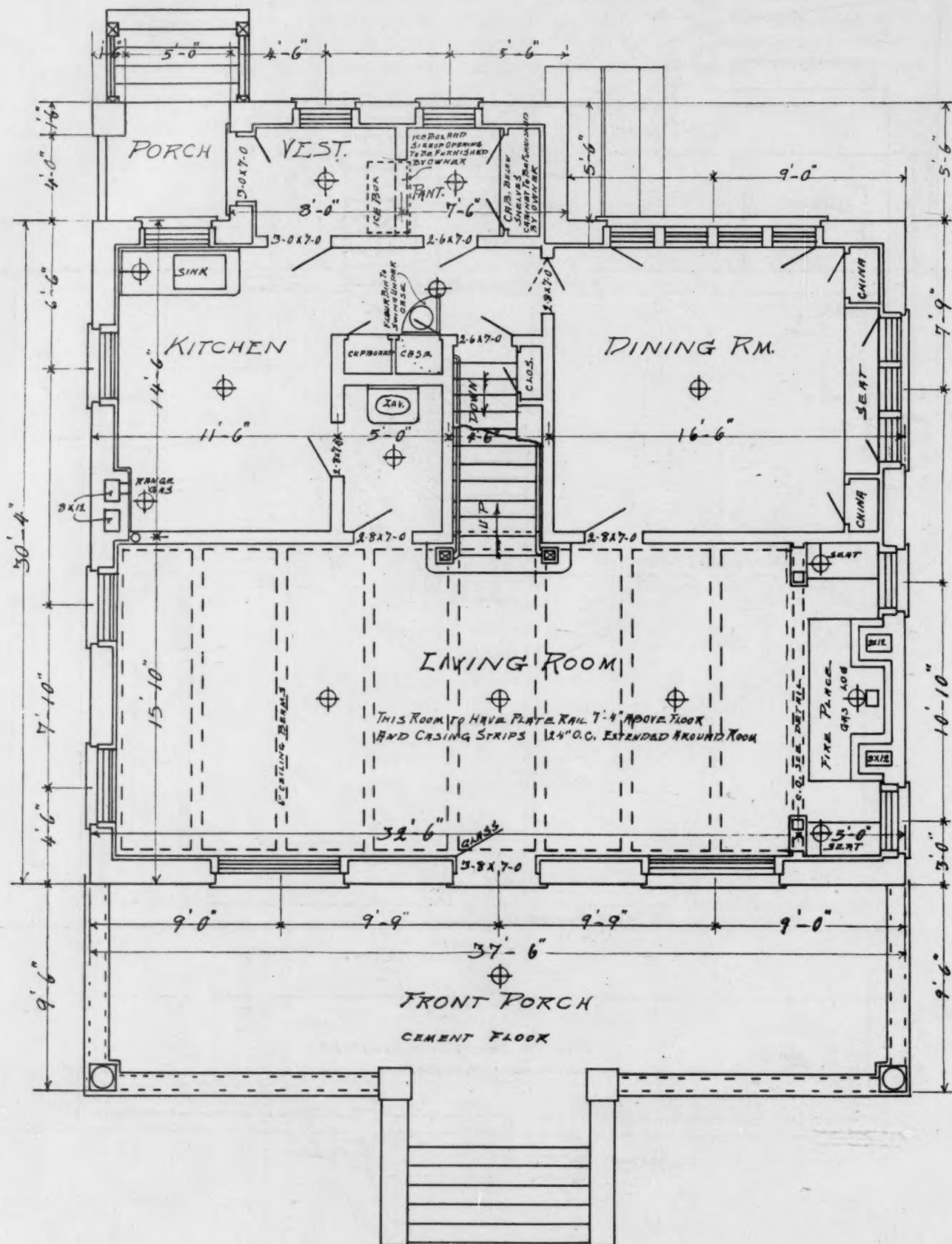
RIGHT SIDE ELEVATION

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BASEMENT AND FOUNDATION PLAN

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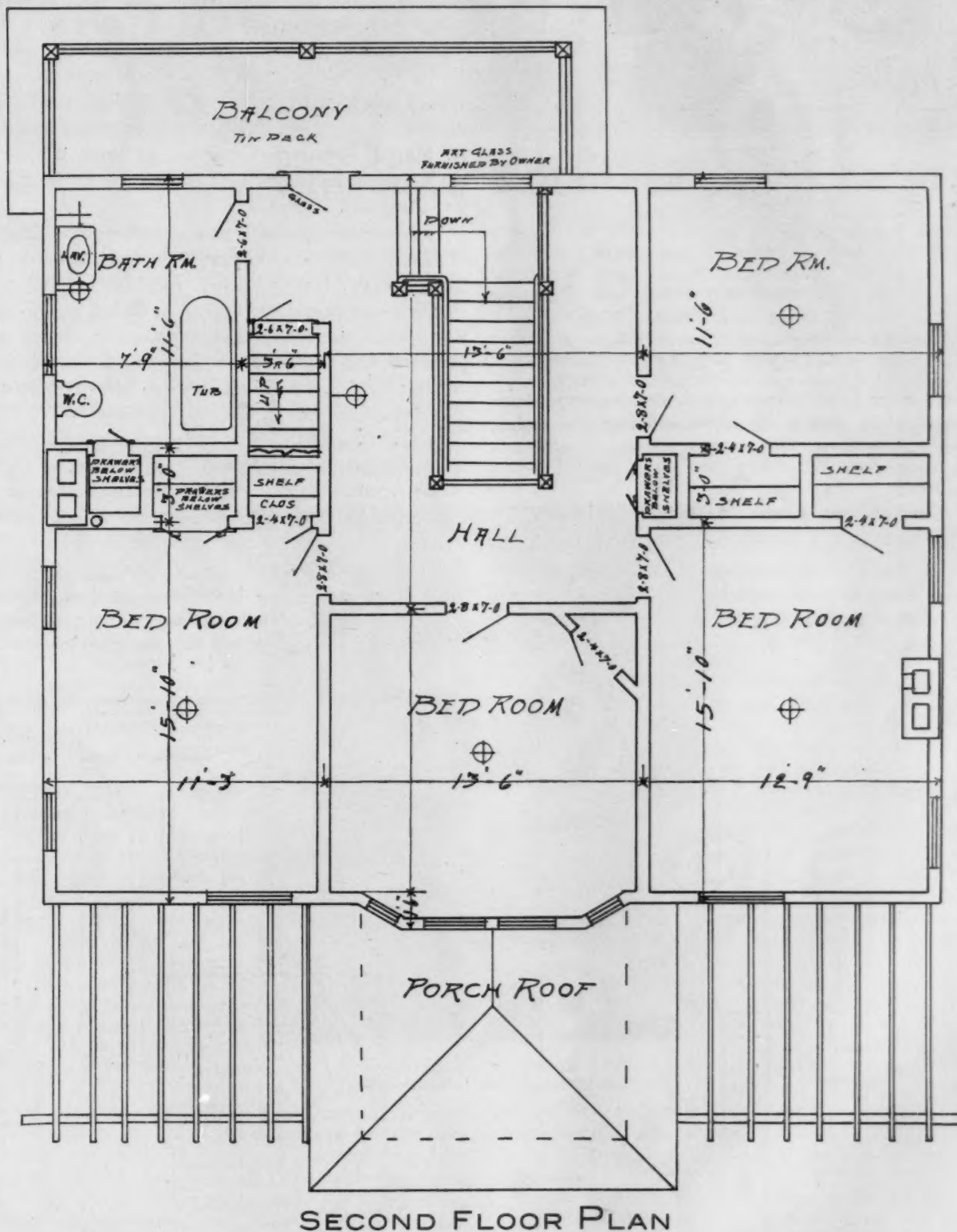
FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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Wire Glass as a Fire Stop

The efficacy of wire glass in preventing the spread of conflagration was shown by a recent hot fire in the lumber yard of the Staudte-Rueckholdt Manufacturing

Each was equipped with automatic sprinklers. In the building equipped with wired glass, three sprinkler heads were opened by the radiated heat on the third floor and one on the second floor. The heat pene-

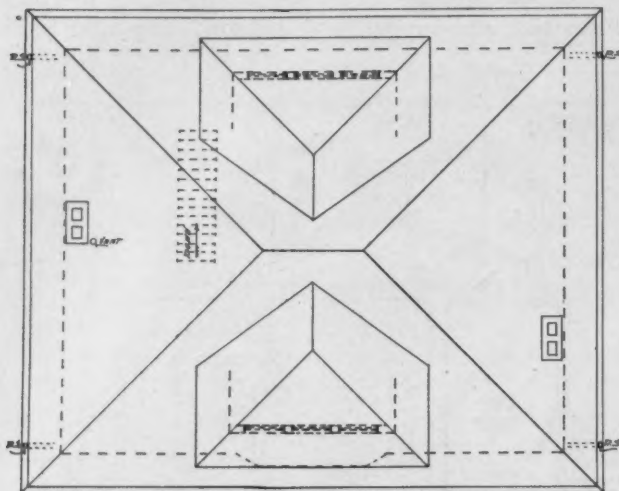


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Co., of St. Louis, makers of interior fixtures. Two of their buildings, one with the windows equipped with wired glass in metal sashes and the other with ordinary windows, were equally exposed to the blazing lumber.

trated the wired glass which held intact, setting fire to wood 15¾ inches from the glass, according to a measurement made by H. C. Henley, chief inspector of the St. Louis Fire Prevention Bureau. This incip-

ient blaze was promptly extinguished by the sprinklers. In the building not equipped with wired glass windows,



ROOF PLAN

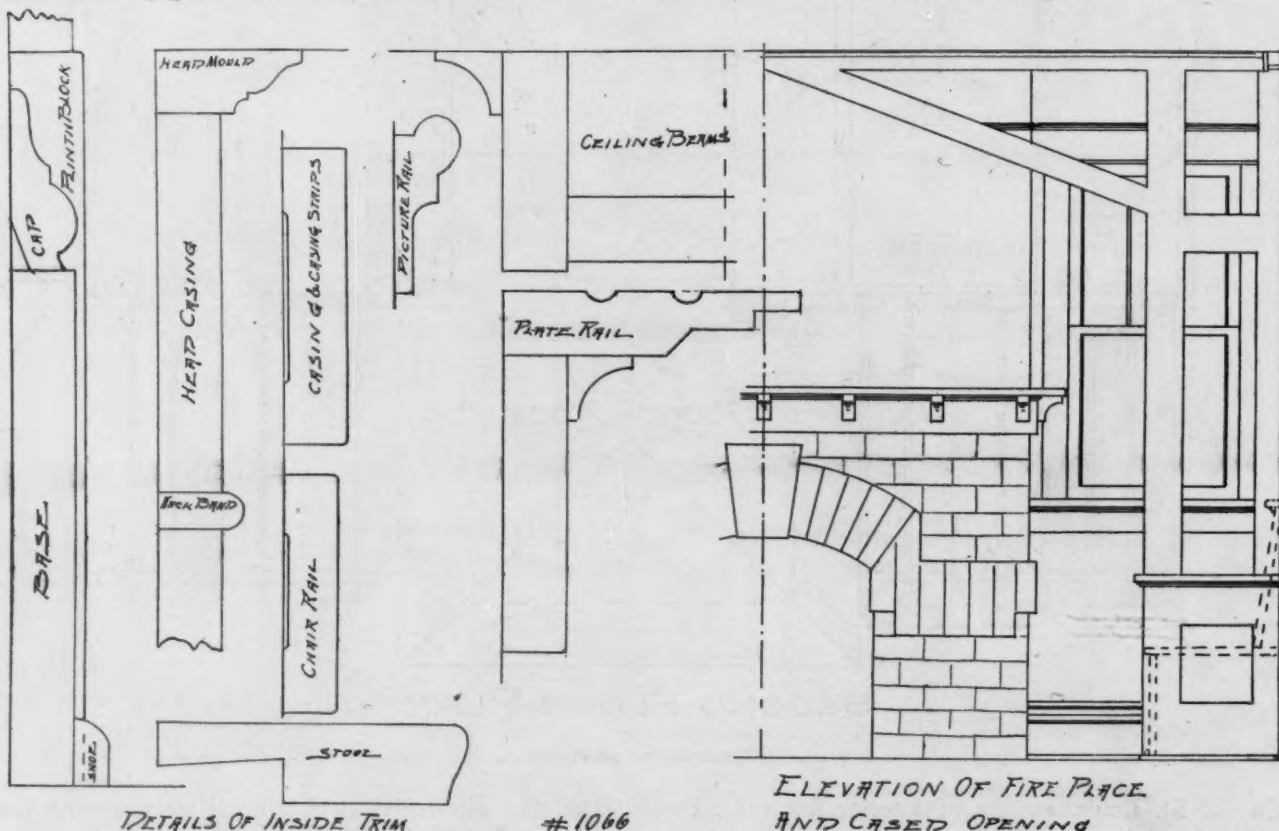
117 sprinkler heads were opened, causing serious injury to cabinet work through the softening of the glue, water damage, etc.

Carpenters Elect National Officers

The count of the referendum vote for general officers of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners has been completed by the tellers, at national headquarters in Indianapolis, showing the election of the following general officers: President, William D.

Huber, Indianapolis; first vice-president, Arthur A. Quinn, Perth Amboy, N. J.; second vice-president, J. D. McKinley, Chicago; secretary, Frank Duffy, Indianapolis; treasurer, Thomas Neale, Indianapolis; member of the general executive board, First district, Charles H. Bausher, New York; Second district, D. A. Post, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Third district, John H. Potts, Fourth district, R. E. L. Connolly, Birmingham, Ala.; Fifth district, John Valquist, Minneapolis; Sixth district, W. A. Cole, San Francisco; Seventh district, A. Martel, Montreal, Canada. All these officers are the present incumbents with the exceptions of McKinley, Potts and Martel.

The vote for president was as follows: William D. Huber, Indianapolis, 20,446; William G. Schardt, Chicago, 20,315; Harry Payne, Rock Island, Ill., 5,760. For first vice-president, Arthur A. Quinn had no opposition and received 36,430 votes. For second vice-president the vote was as follows: J. D. McKinley, 16,969; Fred J. Cheshire, Spokane, Wash., 9,856; W. W. Reynolds, Peoria, Ill., 9,674; Charles W. Paine, New Orleans, 7,858. For secretary, Frank Duffy had no opposition and received 38,750 votes. Thomas Neale received 29,729 votes for treasurer and his only opponent, William Michaels, of St. Louis, received 13,819. Bausher had one opponent, as did also Post. Potts had six opponents and Valquist two opponents, but Connolly, Cole and Martel ran for their respective position on the executive board without opposition. The officers are elected for two years.



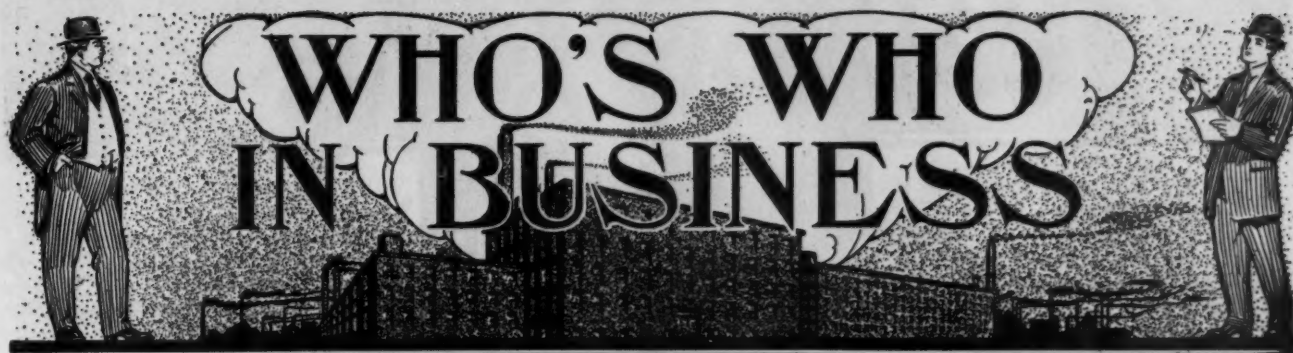
DETAILS OF INSIDE TRIM

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ELEVATION OF FIRE PLACE
AND CASED OPENING

DETAILS OF INTERIOR FINISH

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Clarence J. Luther

THE life of Mr. Clarence J. Luther, president of the Luther Grinder Manufacturing Company, exemplifies in an unusual degree what a man can accomplish when he makes the most of every opportunity presented. It was only 46 years ago the middle of this month that Mr. Luther began life as a husky youngster on a farm near Poynette, Wis. The farm itself was not much different from thousands of other farms and he himself grew up under the same influence and training that so many farmer boys have known. There was only time for school in winter. Chores had to be done nights and mornings and it meant getting up long before the sun in order to have them done before the boys left for school. During the spring and summer months even the services of a boy could not be dispensed with; schooling had to be left out for the more important farm work.

If there was one thing more than any other that helped to turn his mind toward grinders it was the fact that the marsh on the back of the farm produced more than ordinary crops of hay. June or July always meant some hard work in getting the hay cut and cured. And the job that fell onto the boy of the place was the one that so many of us know a great deal about, turning the grind stone. Noons and nights meant long hours spent at this task, for two or three mowing machines need plenty of work done on the sickles. The one who held the sickle probably did not mind it so very much, but to "the boy behind the grind-stone" it was an endless job. Perhaps even then he was thinking out some scheme for doing this same work by an easier method.

Twenty years were spent on the farm. But as his younger brothers began to grow up and were able to do their share of the work, it became apparent that there was not room enough on the old homestead for all. Clarence went to town; and for ten years worked at the carpenter trade. There, too, he had to use many edged tools, realizing all the time that the method of sharpening them on the grind stone was slow and laborious.

When he was 28, a bad debt he could collect in on other way put him in possession of a state right to a patented sickle grinder. It was a simple affair, equipped with an emery

wheel. With this as a starter, Mr. Luther spent a great deal of time and thought in perfecting it. He made many changes, adding the improvements from time to time he found by experience were advisable. He began to see also the opportunity for making something out of this grinder. The latent demand for an efficient and thoroughly reliable machine of this type appealed to him until he decided to start a company for the manufacture of them. The money was raised and the C. J. Luther Company organized at Port Washington. At first the factory employed only a few hands, with more added from time to time as the business increased. The machines put out were equipped with emery wheels and a comparatively simple gearing. Many of these are yet in use throughout the country, still doing good service for their owners.

As the business continued to grow it was seen that much better facilities could be had in a larger city. Accordingly 12 years ago the factory was moved to North Milwaukee. Five years later it was again moved, this time to its present location in Milwaukee, where their new factory gives a working floor space of one acre, equipped with special machinery for producing the grinders.

It was at the time it left Port Washington that the radical change was made from emery to carborundum as a grinding substance. The emery wheel was superior to the grind stone, provided the operator had sufficient skill in using it; but carborundum possessed all of the good points of a grind stone and none of the poor ones of the emery wheel. Carborundum cuts 25 times as fast as a grind stone while at the same time there is no friction

to draw the temper from steel tools. The grains never wear smooth so that little pressure is necessary. Its continued use has demonstrated the truth of its claim as the ideal abrasive.

Starting in this way as the pioneer in the grinder field, Mr. Luther has continued in the lead. Today the Luther product is known in every country on the globe. The export trade has assumed proportions that the man who started the business sixteen years ago at Port Washington never dreamed of. Quality has been made the watchword for success, and this has been backed up with hard work.



CLARENCE J. LUTHER
President Luther Manufacturing Co.

CORRESPONDENCE



Work of the Country Carpenter

To the Editor:

Elgin, Iowa.

I have been receiving the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* a little over a year and have learned a great many things from its pages. I wish especially to thank Mr. Woods for his articles on roof framing. I gathered much information from them.

The article by D. L. Stoddard in the January number I think is also worthy of a little notice. I agree with him that the subject of interior finishing has been a little neglected.

I work in the country and live in the country. It is through the *AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER* that I am enabled to keep informed of the up-to-date methods of executing my work. I am required to build houses, barns, granaries and other buildings on the farm, so I have a wide field for improvement. We country carpenters are required to do many things—even painting and mason work at times.

ALEX. PAGAN.

Church Built in Nine Hours

To the Editor:

Austin, Texas.

In this era of development and upbuilding which is going on in Texas, things are done with a rush. The establishment of new towns is carried on with almost magical quickness in this state, but it remained for a minister of the gospel to



8:30 A. M.—Material and Men Arrive and Work Starts

recently direct a building enterprise that in shortness of time of its accomplishment eclipses anything in construction work yet accomplished in Texas. Through his well directed management a church was erected in less than nine hours, every part of the edifice being finished within that time.

Rev. H. L. Munger was appointed to establish a new church in Waco. He wanted to get the place of worship ready for his congregation as quickly as possible, and with that end in view he spent one day perfecting an organization among the members of his flock, and making arrangements for the erection of the edifice. On January 9 he had the plans drawn by a local firm of architects and made a contract with a planing mill for the manufacture of the interior finish and furniture. He let the contract for the construction of the church on January 10, with the understanding that it was to be built on the following day. By this it was meant that the edifice was to be finished and

ready for occupancy within a period of less than twelve working hours.

By actual time, the edifice was completed in a little less than nine hours, and religious services were held therein the same evening. The site of the proposed church was entirely bare at 8 o'clock on the morning of January 11. At 8:30 teams began arriving with stone for the foundation, lumber



Noon—Progress Made by 50 Carpenters

and other construction material. By 9 o'clock the foundation was well along towards completion. When the foundation was finished, forty carpenters went to work on the superstructure, under the direction of Oscar Myer. The "house raising" took place at 10 o'clock, and the work of placing on the weather boarding and interior ceiling began. As fast as a board was placed in position the painters gave it a coat of paint. The church was well advanced towards completion at 12 o'clock, when all work ceased for an hour for rest and dinner. The entire frame was then up, the front steps and vestibule about finished, part of the floor laid and rafters placed in position.

The ladies of the congregation and of the neighborhood provided a good lunch for the workers and at 1 o'clock the army of men resumed the construction operations with renewed vigor and enthusiasm. Fifty men were employed by



5 P. M.—Church Nearly Done

this time in rushing the different parts of the structure to a rapid finish. As soon as the rafters and roof-boards were in place an additional force of 28 roofers went to work on that part of the job. By this time the ceiling, electric wiring and other interior details were finished and the paper-hangers went to work, and the painters and varnishers were giving the finishing touches to their respective features of the contract.

The inside finish for ceiling is natural wood; and the trim—base, mouldings, pulpit and seats are mission finish.



6 P. M.—Interior of Church Ready for Meeting

At 5 o'clock the edifice was nearing the finished state, and at 6 o'clock the last touches in the construction work had been given. At that hour the working men and large crowd of spectators were invited by Rev. Munger to attend the dedicatory services, which began a few minutes later.

Men who had participated in the construction of the edifice gave experience talks. Rev. Munger related how he came to Waco a stranger without a dollar or a friend, and awakening to a realization that a new church was needed in his neighborhood, he had set about arranging for its construction. It was announced that the cost of the building was \$2,500. Subscriptions were called for to pay for the edifice and within a few minutes the entire sum was raised. The services came to an end at 7 o'clock, and the congregation dispersed.

W. D. HORNADAY.

Wants an Inexpensive Dry Kiln

To the Editor:

Wichita, Kansas.

We have been subscribers to the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER for a long time. We are well pleased with it; and never have as yet asked for a settlement of our troubles. We have a small planing mill and wish to construct some kind of a dry kiln that will be inexpensive and at the same time do the business. We have in mind to build one of cement stone that will accommodate about 10,000 feet of lumber. Can you not tell us of some way by which we can use hot air produced from our shavings and sawdust which can blow to the kiln and possibly keep burning from a pilot flame from a gas jet? We think some arrangement of this kind can be perfected, but do not know just how.

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Answer: Cement stone will make a very good kiln wall and there are several methods for heating. It is doubtful, however, if it would be practical to burn shavings and sawdust from a gas jet and apply the heat of combustion direct without carrying with it the attendant danger of fire from sparks. A better plan would be to burn the shavings and dust under either hot water or a low pressure steam heating system and pipe this into the kiln pretty much as one puts a

hot water or a steam heating system into a house. Get the heater down on a lower level, nearby, but outside of the building itself, so that the condensation will drain back into the boiler. Or you might use something on the order of a furnace with an inner combustion chamber and an outer hot air duct system, pretty much as when equipping a furnace in a house, and get fairly good results. J. CROW TAYLOR.

Board Feet in Round Logs

To the Editor:

Philadelphia, Pa.

Between the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER and Radford's Cyclopedia I have been able to find most everything pertaining to the building line; but one thing I have failed to find. That is how to obtain the board feet in a log. Will you enlighten me as to the method employed by the mill men? Will you also give me an example say for a log 20 inches at butt and 12 inches at top and 30 feet long?

DANIEL FINK.

Answer: There are a great many rules in use by lumbermen in different parts of the country for obtaining the number of feet, board measure, in round logs. A hand book gotten out by the Forest Service on log rules shows forty-five different methods for measuring logs, each one differing in some respect from the others.

In the southern and central sections of the country, a rule most generally followed is the Scribner-Doyle, which is based on the number of square edged inch boards of standard width a log will make; and, in scaling by this rule, measurement is taken at the small end of the log inside of the bark; or, if it is a longer log to be cut in two before sawing, the measurement of both ends is taken and the average diameter of the two makes the scale measurement for the butt log.

There is a rule known as the Three-Quarters Rule said to be used in Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, the formula on which it is based being as follows: Deduct one-quarter of the diameter of the small end of the log inside of the bark for saw kerf and slabs, square the remainder, multiply by the length of the log and divide this last product by 12 for the contents of the log in board feet.

There is another rule known as the Orange River Rule, used in Texas, based on the following: Multiply the square of the diameter of the small end of the log inside of the bark by the length of the log and divide the product by 30. The result is the contents in board feet.

The rule known as the New Hampshire Rule is based on an imaginary cubic foot equal to about 1.4 of the standard cubic foot. The statutes of New Hampshire, 1901, give the law on this rule as follows: "All round timber, the quantity of which is estimated by the thousand shall be measured according to the following rules: A stick of timber 16 inches in diameter and 12 inches long shall constitute one cubic foot and the same ratio shall apply to any other size and quantity. Each cubic foot shall constitute 10 feet of a thousand board feet." In the practical use of this rule it is customary to consider 115 cubic feet equivalent to one thousand feet board measure instead of 100 cubic feet, according to the wording of the statute. In this case the diameter is taken at the middle of the log inside the bark. If the diameter is measured at the small end of the log, 106 cubic feet are allowed for one thousand board feet. The New Hampshire Rule is also called the Blodgett Rule.

EDITOR.

He Wants Advice

To the Editor:

Prince Albert, Sask.

I should be obliged if you would give in the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER the most inexpensive methods of getting up heavy timbers on 3 and 4-story buildings, say 50 by 80 feet in size, also 24-foot built-up girders 12 by 16 inches, over store fronts.

H. H. LUKE.



CONDUCTED BY WATSON & BOYDEN, PATENT LAWYERS AND SOLICITORS, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Connection for Bit-Brace Bows

981,693—Patented Jan. 17, 1911, by Edmund A. Schade, of New Britain, Connecticut.

This invention provides ready means for attaching the bow (4) of a bit brace to the head (1 and 2). The improved means consists of a split sleeve (5) adapted to surround the end of the bow and fit within a rigid sleeve (3) carried by the head. A tapered pin (7) is then driver through all three parts tightly keying them up and forming a very rigid connection.

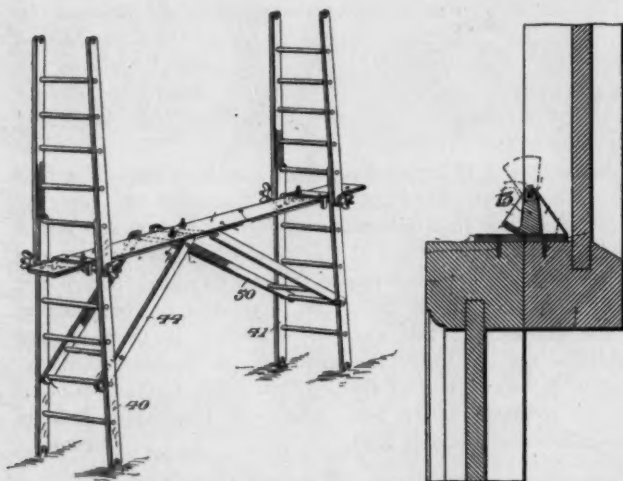


Tapered Pin Makes Rigid Connection

Gravity Sash-Lock

982,783—Patented Jan. 31, 1911, by Daniel M. Barr, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

This invention relates to an improvement in sash locks and has for its object the provision of a gravity lock which shall be automatic in its operation, simple, durable and free from the objections of spring locks. The lock comprises a



Portable Ladder Scaffold

Automatic Gravity Lock

pivoted tumbler (13) secured to the upper sash and adapted to normally overlie the top of the lower sash. To raise the lower sash the tumbler is swung to the dotted line position and the engagement of the upper rail in passing throws it over the center and causes it to return to normal position so as to again engage the sash when it is lowered.

Portable Ladder Scaffold

982,083—Patented Jan. 17, 1911, by Addison H. McGhan, of Washington, D. C.

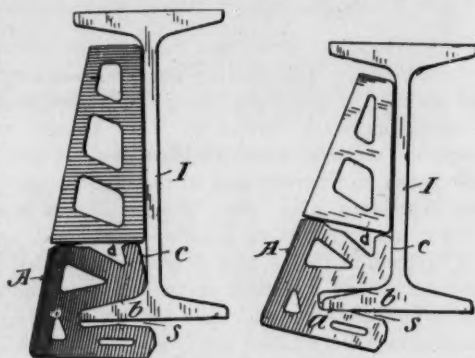
The improved scaffold shown in the illustration below comprises a pair of braces (44 and 50) adapted to engage rungs of the ladders (40 and 41) and also adapted to be secured to the middle of the platform board by means of hook bolts so as to render the same strong and rigid.

Skewback for Hollow-Tile Arches

971,749—Patented Oct. 4, 1910, by Henry L. Hinton, of New York, N. Y.

The object of this invention is to provide a skewback of a single pattern which may be used in constructing arches of different inclinations.

The two figures of the illustration show the same skewback A applied to eye-beams of different depths and two arches of different inclinations. The adjustment is accomplished by rocking the part A upon the base flange of the eye-beam to the desired position and then filling in the crevices such as b, s, c, and d, with cement.

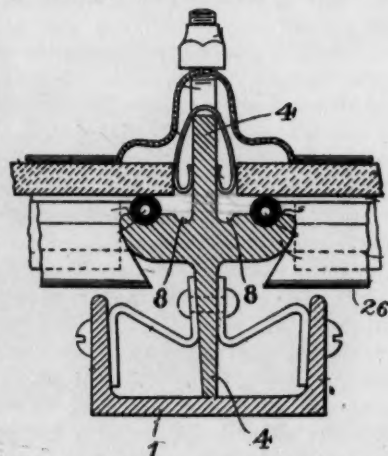


Adjustable Tile Skewback

Nondripping Skylight

981,813—Patented Jan. 17, 1911, by Benjamin Storch, of New York, N. Y.

This is a skylight which will not leak nor permit the moisture condensation to drip. The main supporting beams (4) are of special construction comprising vertical and horizontal webs serving to support the packing and also being formed with grooves (8) to catch the drip. Beneath the member (4) extends a trough (1) into which trough traverse troughs (26) are adapted to discharge whatever water of condensation they may have collected.



Cement Show at Chicago

THE CEMENT INDUSTRY IN ALL ITS PHASES SET FORTH BY ELABORATE DISPLAYS REVEALING THE REMARKABLE PROGRESS MADE IN STRUCTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS OF CEMENT, AND AFFORDING A POPULAR EDUCATION ON THE NATURE AND USES OF CONCRETE

THE fourth annual Cement Show at the Coliseum in Chicago, under the auspices of the Cement Products Exhibition Company, was declared by all who witnessed the marvelous display to be the greatest in the history of the industry. The striking feature of the show was the increase in the number of exhibits illustrating to the public the actual products in which cement is used; and the hope was expressed by many, that even more would be shown next year. For it is through these displays of articles made from cement, and of the methods employed in its practical use, that the uninformed public gains its ideas of cement construction, and recruits are secured for the growing army of cement users.

The decorations in the great Coliseum were tastefully arranged and in keeping with the character of the show. Commencing Thursday evening, Feb. 16, and continuing till near midnight on the 23d, the show was visited by great crowds daily. Carpenters and builders, especially, were interested in the exhibition; and large numbers of them attended to learn the methods of using cement in connection with woodwork.

Both visitors and exhibitors were loud in their praise of the management for the perfect manner in which the show was conducted, and President Haggar added more laurels to his record.

Our readers will be interested in learning the nature of the exhibits and who were in charge at the various booths. The names and addresses of the exhibitors, together with a brief indication of the line of products shown, and the names of those who were in immediate charge during the show, are given in the following alphabetical list:

Advance Concrete Mixer Co., Jackson, Mich.—In this exhibit was shown the operation of the "Advance" type of concrete mixer, its points of advantage being explained by H. F. Abbott, President of the company. Lawn Bros. are the Chicago agents.

Alpha Portland Cement Co., Chicago, Ill.—Pictures showing the company's mills, together with samples of their raw and finished product.

American Art Marble Co., Philadelphia, Pa.—Artistic decorative materials.

American Mason Safety Tread Co., Boston, Mass.—M. H. Eddy in charge, and very busy pointing out the merits of the Mason Safety Treads, whose steel base prevents wear while the filling of lead or carborundum is proof against slipping. An interesting line of composition sanitary flooring was also on exhibition.

American Saw Mill Machinery Co., Hackettstown, N. J.—Portable saw bench and wood-worker, self-contained with gasoline engine or electric motor built in. Mill work for forms, trim, etc., done on the job. W. E. Swanger, secretary of company, in charge, assisted by A. C. Eadie.

American Steel & Wire Company, Chicago, Ill.—The triangle wire mesh for reinforcement was displayed in a scene representing a building in course of construction. The foreground was a display of the wire as it is placed in a structure, merging into a scene showing the complete frame of the building. H. S. Doyle was in charge, assisted by B. S. Pease, O. T. Allen, and P. Fisher.

American 3-Way Prism Co., Chicago, Ill.—Messrs. C. H. Paschall and G. S. Knott, assisted by Fred A. Flocken, in charge of the exhibit. The exhibit consisted of the Paschall interlocking sidewalk, floor and skylight construction system, together with 3-Way Prisms in various forms for all kinds of lighting. An interesting feature of this exhibit was a 4 by 6-foot Paschall interlocking sidewalk light slab of standard thickness and construction, supporting a weight of 20,060 pounds of pig lead.

Anchor Concrete Stone Co., Rock Rapids, Iowa.—The exhibit in charge of Mr. G. W. Bradley, Mgr.; J. Oleson, Field Mgr.; assisted by J. Lahetchka. The Anchor continuous air space block machine in operation, together with sample walls of continuous air space building stone.

Architectural Decorating Co., Chicago, Ill.—E. N. Simpson in charge of exhibit, consisting of decorative cement work—fountains, flower vases, and pedestals.

Architectural Mold Co., Detroit, Mich.—This display was especially fine. It was in charge of Paul Klebba, Herman Pleger, E. D. Allen and W. Gagnier.

Arrowsmith Concrete Tool Co., Arrowsmith, Ill.—Here was shown the famous trowel made by this company, and it attracted much attention. Those in charge were W. A. Scott, J. H. Jacobs, Geo. M. Slingsloff, and R. L. Sohn.

Art Stone Co., Waynesboro, Pa.—Art concrete and stone specialties for building trim. Formulas for artistic facings on concrete, brick, stone, wood, etc. Amos Stouffer, proprietor, in charge.

Ashland Steel Range & Mfg. Co., Asland, Ohio.—The "Senior A" and "B" mixers of this company were shown in attractive display, also the "U. S. Standard" Block Machine and a measuring device. Those representing the company were U. S. Shelley, A. J. Bentz, James E. Howland, and B. A. Tinkey.

Association of American Portland Cement Manufacturers, Philadelphia, Pa.—Stereopticon views of varied applications of cement to construction of houses, bridges, farm buildings, etc. Percy H. Wilson, Secretary, in charge, assisted by L. R. Ferguson.

Atlas Portland Cement Co., New York, N. Y.—The Atlas crowd were in good attendance, and showed a justifiable pride in the beautiful exhibit presented, consisting of a concrete loggia and a model farm in concrete. Those in attendance were C. S. Quincy, Mgr. Western Sales Dept.; W. T. Chollar, S. A. Putnam, H. M. Dowd, P. A. Tomes, R. S. Thompson, M. A. Regan, I. M. Lewis, T. B. Hemmick, the latter having just returned from two years on the Panama Canal where Atlas Portland cement is being used. There were also J. J. Evans, Walter Smith from Iowa, F. C. Bailey, from Wisconsin, F. A. Schmudger and P. C. Smith from Illinois, and W. D. Peters and Fred Winter from Kansas.

Automatic Sealing Vault Co., Peru, Ind.—A special type of burial vault obviating the necessity of entering the grave for sealing purposes, was here shown, the exhibit being in charge of Ira I. Rush, assisted by Elbert S. Miller.

Ballou Manufacturing Co., Belding, Mich.—In charge of W. D. Ballou and E. E. Weed. An interesting feature of this exhibit was their small though efficient hand-power concrete mixer. Three sizes of power mixers were also on exhibition.

Barrett Manufacturing Company, Chicago, Ill.—Here was a display of materials for waterproofing, roofing, subfloors, and paving. The exhibit was in charge of G. H. Gage, H. B. Nichols, and C. G. Wells.

Barton System of Reinforced Concrete, Chicago, Ill.—The display was in charge of Mr. Barton himself, and was well arranged. It showed the simplicity of the Barton system.

Besser Mfg. Co., Alpena, Mich.—This was one of the very large exhibits, including power and hand tile machines, continuous mixers on trucks and on skids, block machines, automatic block tamper, culvert moulds, etc. Mr. J. H. Besser was in charge, assisted by H. H. Burns of Battle Creek, Mich., and Ben Cole.

Best Bros., Keene's Cement Co., Medicine Lodge, Kansas.—Here was shown a beautiful display of artificial marbles and fine cement surface coatings, all produced with Keene's cement. Roger Titus and Jack Best were in charge.

Billings-Chapin Co., Cleveland, Ohio.—This company had a fine display of Drilwal waterproofing. The booth was in charge of Chas. F. Case and Norman E. Hills.

Black Co., T. W., Green Bay, Wis.—A rubbing machine used in the making of Terrazzo floors was shown. T. W. Black was in charge, assisted by Miss C. V. Birkner.

Blaker, J. L., Blaker Mills, W. Va.—Automatic dumping cars for quarries and concrete construction work. Mr. Blaker, inventor and patentee, in charge.

Blanc Stainless Cement Co., Allentown, Pa.—This company had an attractive display of the products of its white cement. The exhibit was in charge of Mr. J. Maxwell Carrere, John Kappenberger, and Miss Minnie Lerchen.

Blystone Manufacturing Co., Wilkesbarre, Pa.—Messrs. P. L. Blystone, E. E. Wright, L. Thomas, and W. J. Pees were in charge of the exhibit, consisting of the Blystone Batch Mixer mounted on skids and belted to a gasoline engine.

Boite Manufacturing Co., Kearney, Neb.—Mr. T. H. Boite in charge. The Ross concrete spade; Felton's conduit rods and special tools; Andrews concrete tamper; Wire rope blocks, and sheaves. Also—last, but by no means least—the Boite Concrete Mixer in operation.

Bond Co., Harold L., Boston, Mass.—Contractors' spades, picks, markers, and tampers were shown. Those in charge were Geo. S. Hedge and Jos. F. Ross.

Bragstad Bros. Co., Inc., Canton, S. D.—Here was a very interesting exhibit showing the block machine and automatic tamper made by this company, also their concrete mixer. Those in attendance at the booth were J. W. Bragstad, President, and A. N. Bragstad, Secretary and Treasurer; also Joe Juel, Joe Oleson, and D. N. Johnson.

Briggs Labor-Saving Specialty Co., Waterloo, Iowa.—Mr. J. E. Briggs and W. L. Hollman were kept busy explaining the workings of a concrete spreader for street-paving work, a hand concrete spreader for building and sidewalk work, and a motor-driven wagon for asphalt street paving.

Brooklyn Concrete Machinery Co., Brooklyn, Mich.—This company had the Oliver Block Machine on display. The company was represented by Ralph Stevenson, L. B. Bond, E. D. Francisco, Perry Miles, J. E. Scudder, and E. F. Horning.

Brown Hoisting Machinery Co., Cleveland, Ohio.—Here a very interesting exhibit was presided over by Mr. Geo. T. Sinks and A. R. Leeds. A quite romantic looking little building formed a part of their display, and the men in charge were kept pretty busy explaining to the visitors that this was not a bungalow, nor a material for bungalow construction! The exhibit was a practical working exhibit throughout, intended to show the builder how Ferrocilave reinforcement is used in different kinds of building. A feature of the exhibit was a "Brownhoist" Suspended Coal Bin with Ferrocilave lining, also a Brown Sanitary Water-Closet Shield for factories.

Butler Concrete Machinery Co., Butler, Ind.—Mr. L. D. Knisely, Secretary and Treasurer of the company, found time to explain to visitors the special features of the 20th Century Gasoline Continuous Concrete Mixer.

Campbell, J. C., & Co., Chicago, Ill.—This exhibit included the "Buckeye" Mortar Mixer, for which many special claims are made. Mr. K. C. Buckeye himself was in charge.

Carnegie Steel Co., Pittsburg, Pa.—See Illinois Steel Co.
Carpenter & Co., Geo. B., Chicago, Ill.—Pumps for sewer work were shown here. The booth was in charge of W. R. Sostheim, H. B. Seavy, H. G. Watson, and M. Kaplin.

Cement Machinery Company, Jackson, Mich.—This company had on display chimney moulds, sill, cap, and step moulds, brick and block machines, drain-tile moulds, the "Systematic" mixer, and numerous other accessories. Those representing the company were Sid Wiltse, W. G. Smith, W. H. Hartigan, and E. H. Van Wey.

Cement Tile Machine Co., Waterloo, Iowa.—The famous tile machine of this company was shown to good advantage. The booth was in charge of J. H. Stewart, W. H. Stewart, W. P. Wells, T. G. Spellman, Godfrey Gross, E. V. Haight, S. L. Northrup, W. L. Northrup, and F. A. Rossa.

Century Cement Machinery Co., Rochester, N. Y.—Mr. A. T. Bradley and S. Filley were about the busiest men at the Show, demonstrating the good qualities of the "Hercules" cement stone machinery.

Ceresit Waterproofing Co., Chicago, Ill.—Actual tests of this material on concrete were shown in an effective display. Those in the booth were P. H. Hansen, F. G. Stanmeyer, and R. H. Schwandt.

Chain Belt Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—G. M. Trevor, Sales Manager assisted by A. M. Anderson and W. B. Louer, was on the job explaining the workings of the model concrete elevator and telling the good points of the Chain Belt concrete mixer.

Channon Co., H., Chicago, Ill.—An hydraulic sand and gravel pump was shown; also concrete buckets, etc. Those in charge were Frank W. Jackson and Benj. Bersten.

C. H. & E. Manufacturing Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Portable saw rigs for contractors, trench pumps, etc., were shown. Those representing the company were F. F. Hase and G. D. Smith. Wood-working machinery also was shown.

Chicago Architectural Photographing Co., Chicago, Ill.—An interesting exhibit of photographic work, showing many architectural subjects—especially concrete construction, which is a specialty of the work of these photographers. E. L. Ericson and Gus Flodin were in charge.

Chicago Concrete Machinery Co., Chicago, Ill.—An interesting exhibit showing the No. 14 Chicago mixer on trucks, equipped with a steam engine, boiler and side loader.

Chicago Portland Cement Company, Chicago, Ill.—This display consisted of a fountain and fence surrounding the booth, made of "Chicago AA" cement. Those in the booth representing the company were J. U. C. McDaniel, W. F. Main, E. A. Mollan, E. Muhler, Chas. Greenleaf, M. R. Lilly, Fred Cassidy, and Frank Cull.

Christopher, Geo. C. & Son, Wichita, Kan.—This was an exhibit of the "Eclipse" paddle-type of concrete mixer, and the "Eclipse" concrete stone machine. It was in charge of Mr. G. C. Christopher, assisted by F. W. Grabendike.

Clinton Wire Cloth Co., Chicago, Ill.—This company had a model house on display, showing the method of using its "cloth" with cement mortar.

Clough, John G., Quincy, Ill.—The automatic continuous batch mixer of this company was shown. The exhibit was in charge of H. L. Gordon.

Concrete Form & Engine Co., Detroit, Mich.—This exhibit included a special type of collapsible steel form for construction of concrete culverts, conduits, small bridges and sewers. F. S. Freer was in charge.

Conneaut Shovel Co., Conneaut, Ohio.—Hand-made shovels, scoops, etc. G. W. Benton, Gen. Mgr., in charge, assisted by E. D. Moore. C. A. Shannon, of the Great Lakes Supply Co., South Chicago, is the Chicago representative.

Cowham System, Jackson, Mich.—The cement companies of this system were represented in a fine display. Those in the booth were M. K. Sawyer, J. W. Boardman, W. T. Murray, H. L. Shove, Geo. Diekmann, Robert Boyle, Fred Smith, P. A. Danielson, C. L. Johnson, and E. R. Stapleton.

Cropp Concrete Machinery Co., Chicago, Ill.—At this exhibit were demonstrated the advantages claimed for the double-chamber mixer and low charging device. President A. J. Cropp of the company was in charge, with E. R. Jarvis and B. M. Cropp as assistants.

D. & A. Post Mold Co., Three Rivers, Mich.—A fine display of the post molds of this company was shown, and the exhibit was well arranged. Those in charge were O. Dougherty, President, and G. H. Dougherty, Secretary.

Dahlstrom Metallic Door Co., Chicago, Ill.—The beautiful doors turned out by this company in metal attracted much attention. The exhibit was in charge of A. T. Hansen, W. L. Edwards, Chauncey Moon, and M. L. Oberg.

Decorators' Supply Co., Chicago, Ill.—Mr. C. L. Bender was in charge of this beautiful exhibit, showing ornamental pieces cast in cement, consisting of garden furniture, house and building details, and decorative work.

de Smet, Geo. W., Chicago, Ill.—Mr. de Smet and his efficient corps of men were very much on hand explaining how his beautiful exhibit, or any other ornamental work, could be easily made with Vulcanite Portland cement and treated with his cement coating for waterproofing and decoration.

Detroit Steel Products Co., Detroit, Mich.—This company has the United States and Mexican patent rights on the well-known "Fenestra" joint for metal window-sash, a German invention. An actual installation was shown, in which the glazing consisted of photographic transparencies of examples of the use of Fenestra sash. Wm. F. Schmeltz was in charge. The company has a branch office in Chicago.

Dunn, W. E. & Co., Chicago, Ill.—W. E., H. E., and Fred Dunn had a very busy time of it showing their Dunn Combination Block Machine, the King Cement Brick Machine, and also their line of moulds for chimneys, columns, sewer pipe, drain tile, caps, sills and steps. Something of a novelty was the lattice mould on exhibition.

Elite Manufacturing Co., Ashland, Ohio.—Messrs. E. H. Fuhrman and E. L. Kilhefner were having the time of their life talking in competition with the noise in that locality. They found many interested in what they had to say concerning the new low-down concrete mixer which they had there in operation.

Eureka Machine Co., Lansing, Mich.—Their exhibit consisted of the "Eureka" cement and mortar mixers in operation. Messrs. H. G. Mulholland, W. I. Alling, and H. J. Becker were in charge.

Eureka Stone & Ore Crusher Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—A business-like exhibit showing the "Eureka" Stone Crusher and the Mitchell Improved Crusher in operation. Three sizes were shown.

Fellgren & Sons Co., C. W., Chicago, Ill.—Mr. C. W. Fellgren, in charge of the exhibit, explained his patented system of monolith concrete building construction.

Fence Supply & Mfg. Co., Elburn, Ill.—The concrete fence-post has already demonstrated its attractiveness, cheapness and durability. The "Sheldon" moulds here shown turn out round posts, for which special advantages are claimed. The exhibit is in charge of Q. G. Sheldon, assisted by J. W. Carlton and C. F. Markle.

Fisher Hydraulic Stone & Machinery Co., Chicago, Ill.—An exhibit that attracted a great deal of attention, showing the hydraulic ramming concrete block machine in operation, equipped with a revolving table. The dense, non-absorbent concrete blocks were also on exhibition.

Foots Concrete Machinery Co., Chicago, Ill.—The Foots batch mixer was shown in a fine display. Those in the booth were F. C. Wilcox, M. A. Preston, H. B. Franklin, and E. R. Bacon.

Foots Foundry Co., J. B., Fredericktown, Ohio.—The company's block and tile machines attracted much attention. A novelty in the shape of an individual brick mould was shown, it being a single mould operated by the foot. Those in charge were J. B. Foots, C. B. Harry, L. H. Brenlinger, John Hyatt, Miss H. B. Reynolds and Miss Nellie Baker.

Garden City Sand Co., Chicago, Ill.—There was the customary attractive and instructive exhibit of cement plaster panels in different colors made from the products of this company. Toxement and R. I. W. for waterproofing walls were shown, and also Liquid Konkert and Stone-Kote. Those in charge of the exhibit were C. B. Sheffer, N. C. Fisher, S. W. Curtiss, C. H. Rose, S. J. Binzwanger, Melville Fiber, Wm. Chambers, L. B. Atwood, and Chas. McNeil.

Gauntt Manufacturing Co., F. G., Fort Wayne, Ind.—With Mr. F. G. Gauntt in charge to point out the superior features of the Gauntt Adjustable Concrete Mixer, good business was done.

Gearless Company, Gloversville, N. Y.—The brick machine made by this company was shown to good advantage. The booth was in charge of G. H. Witherhead, W. J. Dunham, and H. K. Dutcher.

General Cement Products Co., 30 Church St., New York, N. Y.—Demonstrations of Cement Gun in operation—a new method of depositing concrete directly by spraying it from a nozzle. Operation claimed to be rapid and cheap. John Shepherd, 171 La Salle St., Chicago, in charge, assisted by W. B. Akeley.

General Fireproofing Co., Youngstown, Ohio.—This company had a fine display of its materials. The booth was in charge of W. B. Turner, S. A. Smith, P. A. Clark, and F. K. Rhines.

German-American Portland Cement Co., Chicago, Ill.—This company had a beautiful miniature bridge with electric lights along the roadway, and water underneath containing real fish. The display was much admired. Those on hand were General Sales Manager Cox, John Dugan, W. Blomgren, and Miss Elizabeth Morrison.

Hall-Holmes Manufacturing Co., Jackson, Mich.—Their exhibit consisted of the "Grand" and "Baby Grand" concrete and mortar mixers. Messrs. E. J. Curtis, C. Hall, and W. S. Coon were in charge.

Hayden Automatic Block Machine Co., Columbus, O.—Here was another large exhibit including the well-known line of "Hayden" face-block and stripper machine, ornamental moulds for columns, capitals, lawn vases, spindles, etc. Mr. W. B. Simpler had charge, assisted by Geo. Friel and Geo. Lupper.

Heath & Milligan Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill.—Mr. F. J. Morse was in charge demonstrating their well-known line of coatings for cement work. Their exhibit consisted of a large number of cement panels coated in various colors.

Hildreth Manufacturing Co., Lansing, Mich.—Here was a display of the simple but strong and efficient "Novo" type of gasoline engine and hoisting outfit, the advantages of which were proclaimed by Mr. Wm. M. Sleaford and Chas. S. Smith.

Hobbs Concrete Machinery Co., Detroit, Mich.—The "Iron Stone Composition" face-plate used with the Hobbs block machine for producing real rock-face blocks created quite a sensation at the Show. The display consisted of a wall and ornamental posts made of these blocks, and the machine itself was demonstrated frequently. A unique little feature was the concrete block model bungalow made of very small concrete blocks. Messrs. H. F. Hobbs, C. L. Hobbs, and Chas. Powers were in attendance at the booth.

Hoosier Mfg. Co., Goshen, Ind.—Mr. Charles F. Black, the proprietor, had a most interesting exhibit of the artistic cement columns turned out by use of the "Hoosier" moulds. These columns are becoming increasingly popular as an element in the exterior adornment of house porches and verandas.

Hotchkiss Lock Metal Form Co., Binghamton, N. Y.—Messrs. Jerome B. Landfield, G. A. Payne, W. H. De Laney, and Joe Howe were in charge of an interesting exhibit of steel forms for the construction of sidewalks, crossings, curbs and gutters.

Hough Co., Wm. B., Chicago, Ill.—One of the striking features of this year's show was the Wm. B. Hough Company exhibit, showing a model of the gravity system of handling concrete. There was also an interesting model of the Koppel dump-cars and railway equipment for contracting operations. Reinforcing metal was in evidence, and the large force of salesmen were busy talking Ransome Concrete Mixers, Wrightworth hoisting engines, and "Clamshell," "Orange Peel," and dump-bottom buckets. Those in attendance at this exhibit were Wm. B. Hough, J. E. McAfee, C. W. Wilson, A. K. Robertson, P. S. Smith, F. Bruner, G. A. Long, J. B. Noble, R. B. Clark, R. B. Cassingham, D. H. Squires, S. H. Hathaway, A. Fleischer, and H. S. Bope.

Hunt & Co., Robert W., Chicago, Ill.—This company had a display of its testing apparatus. Those in charge were John E. Moore, H. H. Morgan, C. C. Whittier, W. T. Reeves, Lester Gill, Robert Moore, Lawrence Wennerholm, John Fletcher, and C. E. Hansen.

Ideal Concrete Machinery Co., South Bend, Ind.—This company had its usual fine display, consisting of block machines and their products, the famous tamping machine and the mixer, besides samples of beautiful walls built up with Ideal blocks. Mentor Wetzstein and a large force of men were in constant demand showing the crowds the advantages of the Ideal machine.

Illinois Copeland Portable Wall Co., Chicago, Ill.—Reinforced glass-faced wall construction and fastening devices for tile for wainscots, floors, etc. Hugh B. Copeland of Denver, Colo., patentee, in charge, assisted by Joseph Kugel, Joseph Schener and Geo. K. Schmidt.

Illinois Steel Co., Chicago, Ill.—In conjunction with the Carnegie Steel Co., this company had a very interesting exhibit of part of its products, consisting of steel bars for reinforcement, which are of three kinds—plain, cold-twisted and deformed, also sheet steel piling. The exhibit was in charge of Mr. C. L. Wood of Pittsburg, Pa.

Inman Concrete Building Block and Machine Co., Beloit, Wis.—This display was a fine one, showing the good products of the company's machinery. Those in charge were O. D., C. L., and C. E. Inman.

Insulite Chemical Co., Aurora, Ill.—The exhibit was in charge of Mr. A. C. Bernatzki, who was very glad to demonstrate the merits of the Insulite company's waterproofing, a mastic coating for cement floors and roofs, and an iron preservative.

Ironite Company, Chicago, Ill.—This company had a display showing how Ironite is used in waterproofing. E. I. Bucklin, V. R. Bucklin, W. H. Hunt, and T. N. Hunt looked after the interests of the company.

Jaeger Machine Co., Columbus, Ohio.—This company manufactures the "Positive" automatic feeding mixer, the "Positive" batch mixer, and a line of folding deck cars.

Jones & Heltzel, Streator, Ill.—Adjustable steel sidewalk, curb, and gutter forms. Rotary floating and finishing tools, and a self-retaining straight-edge for sidewalk work. John Heltzel in charge, assisted by H. A. Allen, practical expert.

Ka-De Adjustable Cement Clamp Co., Chicago, Ill.—An exhibit showing the use of the "Ka-de" clamps and forms for construction of concrete silos, grain bins, factories, houses, and mausoleums.

Kent Machine Co., Kent, Ohio.—The company had on display the Kent mixer and tile machine. Those in charge were A. L. Post, F. A. Kershaw, Joe Cox, E. N. Barber, G. M. Hackett, J. F. Davis, and C. F. Scott.

Keystone Varnish Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.—This was a beautiful installation, showing use of "Keystone" flat wall finish for interior decoration. N. B. Arnold was in charge, with R. Estep as his assistant.

Knickerbocker Co., Jackson, Mich.—The company had on display the Coltrin mixer, and it was much admired by contractors. Those in the booth were W. B. Knickerbocker, Geo. Schaffer, Geo. K. Coulter, E. L. Martin, and J. B. Bruner.

Knickerbocker Ice Co., Chicago, Ill.—This company had a display of cement plaster in charge of R. H. Adams and E. E. Fletcher.

Koehring Machine Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Here was a display of the company's big power mixer. Those in charge were P. A. Koehring, R. M. Moss, W. Williams, P. H. Miller, and John Donahue.

Kramer Automatic Tamping Co., Peoria, Ill.—Here was an effective demonstration of the advantages of automatic tamping from the point of view of labor-saving and at the same time securing uniformity of product. This exhibit was in charge of W. H. Jansean.

La Grange Specialty Co., La Grange, Ind.—The visitor was here shown how a small machine, the "Little Giant," can turn out cement brick at a wonderful rate. The fine points were explained by W. E. Snyder, the inventor, or by one of his assistants, J. E. McIntyre or John Stacey.

Leavitt Mfg. Co., Urbana, Ill.—"Cardiff" cement tile machine. E. G. Christopher in charge, assisted by John Cardiff, inventor and patentee.

Lehigh Clutch Co., Catasauqua, Pa.—Electrically operated shafting, pulleys and clutches; also Dunn's Uniform Pulverized Fuel Device. R. O. Kohler and C. H. Wolf, Jr., in charge.

Lehigh Portland Cement Company, Allentown, Pa.—A fountain and other products made with this cement were shown. Fred Paulsen and his staff were there from Indianapolis. They were Bert Sweet, Louis J. Moss, E. E. Filian, W. H. Eckles, Dan Adams, and W. E. Veits, J. H. McGill, Miss Emma Beckman, Robert Crawford, and a number of others.

Lightbody, Thomas, Youngstown, Ohio.—Mr. Lightbody himself showed the saving in time and cost of hauling and labor which could be effected in the unloading of cars by using his "rapid loader."

Link Belt Co., Chicago, Ill.—Here were shown Link Belt chains, malleable and steel buckets, and belt-conveyor rolls. Flint Rim Sprockets and Rollers and Link Belt specialties were shown. A feature that attracted considerable attention was a model Link Belt bucket-conveyor and automatic dumper in operation. W. W. Sayers and E. C. Burton were in charge.

Locke Drill Co., New York, N. Y.—A demonstration of the use of an electric percussion drill for making holes in concrete for hanging signs, etc.

Luck Cement Post Mold Co., Aurora, Ill.—Here was exhibited the "Luck" system of pouring reinforcing concrete fence and gate posts and hitching posts. J. G. Birtness, Gen. Mgr., with C. G. Birtness, his son, and J. W. Townsend, was in charge.

McArthur Concrete Pile & Foundation Company, New York, N. Y.—This company had a display showing its products in a most comprehensive manner. The display was in charge of F. B. Mann, G. D. Milliken, H. K. Garver, and J. B. McLene.

Malloy, Thomas, Chicago, Ill.—The "Malloy" loading, proportioning and conveying concrete machine adjustable to the feeding needs of any mixer, was here shown by the proprietor, who was assisted by John J. Gilman.

Marquette Cement Mfg. Co., Chicago, Ill.—An interesting exhibit showing the artistic possibilities of concrete for both interior and exterior use in construction.

Marsh-Capron Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill.—An instructive exhibit showing the heavy M. C. "Rail-Track" concrete mixer, also their mortar mixers, concrete hoists, buckets, reinforcing bars, benders, and metal lath. The exhibit in charge of Messrs. Geo. Marsh, H. M. Capron, J. M. Pierce, G. S. Warren, Max Ward, and B. H. Bisbee.

Marsh Co., Chicago, Ill.—This company has succeeded to the well-known "Miracle" line of concrete tile machines, collapsible forms for culvert construction, etc. The exhibit was in charge of W. G. Jenkins, General Sales Mgr., assisted by S. B. Shaw, and included the "National" power cement tile machine.

McIntyre Pouring Block System, Detroit, Mich.—Self-locking blocks with continuous concrete monolithic bond, and complete airspace, for walls and chimneys. First introduction in Chicago. D. McIntyre in charge.

Merrillat Culvert Core Co., Winfield, Iowa.—Their exhibit consisted of an adjustable culvert core on which any culvert from 20 inches to 48 inches in diameter can be moulded, also models and pictures of actual work. The four brothers Merrillat were on the ground to explain the working of their adjustable culvert core. They were P. C., C. C., J. J., and G. O. Merrillat.

Milburn Co., Alexander, Baltimore, Md.—The Milburn portable acetylene light for contractors' use. From 50 to 10,000 candle-power, storm-proof, and claimed to be cheaper than oil or electricity. C. R. Pollard, Jr., in charge, assisted by Geo. Barret and C. Jones.

Miles Manufacturing Company, Jackson, Mich.—The "Miles" block machine was shown, also the "Simplex" mixer. Those in the booth were C. F., D. P., C. W., and J. E. Vining and Earl Arnett.

Miller & Co., Clifford L., New York, N. Y.—Mr. J. S. Slosson was demonstrating for the benefit of numerous interested parties the workings of the Curry bag tyer, an ingenious little hand-operated tool which ties bags—cement, lime, grain, etc.—with light wire. Ties for holding reinforcing steel were also shown.

Miller, J. C., Block Machine Co., Jackson, Mich.—"Sureshut" tile mould, with jolt ramming process, self-tamping; also block and brick machines. J. C. Miller in charge, assisted by Wm. M. Robertson, E. H. Seydel and David Snuggs.

Milwaukee Concrete Mixer and Machinery Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—An interesting exhibit of this well-known company's mixers, engines, and hoists. W. J. Rosebery, Gen. Mgr., was in charge, with W. H. Rattenbury of the Kelley-How-Thomson Co., Duluth, Minn.

Minwax Company, New York, N. Y.—Mr. Wm. A. Dallom and G. C. Grier were very busy showing what "Minwax" damp-proofing will do as a waterproofing coat for cement, terra-cotta, brick, stone, etc., also as a coating for steel work to prevent electrolysis. A specialty also on exhibition was "Minwax" Glazier's Rope, a material to take the place of putty for metal sash.

Morrill Moulds Corporation, Washington, D. C.—A new method of pouring cement houses was shown, by the use of unit steel forms—the "Morrill System." These forms have been used in house construction at Virginia Highlands, Va., a suburb of Washington, D. C. Milton Dana Morrill was in charge, with J. P. Jackson and J. B. Hannan as assistants.

Multiplex Concrete Machinery Co., Elmore, Ohio.—This display also was attractive, and the machinery was much admired. Those in charge were A. Fieldach, Frank Buncer, and C. M. Bell.

Municipal Engineering and Contracting Co., Chicago, Ill.—Messrs. Cameron and P. E. Bager were in charge, and were assisted by H. Wesling. All were kept busy pointing out the good features of the "cube" mixer, emphasizing especially the new anti-spill apron attachment. A feature of this exhibit attracting a great deal of attention was a working model of a complete "cube" mixer plant now in use on the Panama Canal.

Northwestern Expanded Metal Co., Chicago, Ill.—This consisted of a model bungalow, illustrating the use of "Kno-Burn" expanded metal plastering lath. Mr. C. O. Powell was in charge.

Norwalk Vault Co., Norwalk, Ohio.—Cement burial vaults were shown by this company, also the moulds for making them. The interests of the company were looked after by A. B. Bowen, C. L. French, A. S. Alexander, and Isaiah Hovader.

Ohio Ceramic Engineering Co., Cleveland, Ohio.—This exhibit embraced a general line of concrete machinery for contractors—the "Lakewood" line of mixers, buckets, cars, turntables, barrows, skips, etc. It was in charge of J. C. Campbell, Manager of the Chicago office, assisted by D. L. Wadsworth, of Cleveland, O., Advertising Manager, E. A. Allen, and A. W. French.

Ohio Post Mold Co., Toledo, Ohio.—Jake Urschel, ably assisted by the brothers Asa M. Smith and E. S. Smith, was on hand to demonstrate the merits of their post moulds, on which twenty and thirty posts are moulded at one time. A beautiful medal was on display, awarded this company at the National Irrigation Exposition, at Pueblo, Col., in 1910.

Ottawa Silica Co., Ottawa, Ill.—Mr. C. B. Herring was in charge of the exhibit of Pure White Silica sand, the product of this company, in various grades of fineness. An interesting feature was their pulverized white sand which is used half-and-half with white cement for fine interior work.

Peerless Brick Machine Company, Minneapolis, Minn.—L. V. Thayer was in charge of the exhibit, and crowds were kept constantly interested viewing the operations of the "Peerless" brick machine.

Pittsburg Steel Products Co., Pittsburg, Pa.—This very striking display was formed with cement pillars and the "Pittsburg Standardized Reinforcement." Those in charge were Richard B. Harris, General Mgr. of Sales; E. E. Seyfert, Chief Engineer; D. S. Bright, Wm. L. Rowe, S. A. Binner, and Geo. A. Dickson.

Pittsburg Testing Laboratory Co., Inspecting and Consulting Engineers and Chemists, Pittsburg, Pa.—An exhibit of cement tests and cement literature. Represented by R. T. Miller, Mgr. Cement Testing Depts.; H. M. Bachman, cement chemist; and G. L. Hogans, assistant.

Queen City Brick Machine Co., Traverse City, Mich.—The Helm brick machine was always surrounded by a crowd of interested spectators, and good business was reported. The company was represented by E. S. Williams and Ray Austin.

Raber & Lang Manufacturing Co., Kendallville, Ind.—This company had a very fine display. It was in charge of J. E. Lang, R. L. Raber, Wm. Castleman, and Corey Yoder, and comprised the "Crescent" continuous concrete mixer; a vertical tamping brick machine and mould; a power drain-tile machine, and a sewer pipe mould.

Radford Publications, 185 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill., and 178 Fulton St., New York, N. Y.—A large and attractive display of books and periodical literature of educative value to all interested in Cement Construction, Architecture, and the Building Trades in general. The "Cement World"; "American Carpenter and Builder"; "Dealers' Record"; "Radford's Cyclopaedia of Cement Construction"; "Radford's Cyclopaedia of Construction" (general); Radford books on "Cement Houses," "Cement and How to Use It," "Framing," etc., and Radford's Plans and Specifications for all types of buildings.

Raymer Hardware Co., St. Paul, Minn.—An exhibit of the "Erickson" Metal Bending Machine, a very strong and compact piece of mechanism. Its fine points were set forth by A. C. Raymer, President of the company, assisted by R. Smith.

Raymond Concrete Pile Co., Chicago, Ill.—A model of the well-known "Raymond" steel-shell concrete pile was shown and the method of driving it. N. O. Farr and J. W. Taussig represented the company.

Reichert Mfg. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Here were shown the special advantages of a new type of steel forms—the "Reichert"—for monolithic concrete construction. A. P. Wilson was in charge.

Rickman, R. L., Eau Claire, Wis.—Here was shown a machine for moulding sewer-pipe bends. Mr. Rickman himself had charge of the exhibit.

Rockford Sand & Gravel Co., Rockford, Ill.—Sand and gravel for concrete work, plastering, etc. L. E. Hotchkiss, Chicago representative, in charge, with S. A. Gibson, Business Manager, and R. H. Mower.

Rosing, Astrid S., Chicago, Ill.—An interesting exhibit of sewer and drain tile. Also clean gravel in various sizes.

Ross & Co., J. A., Chicago, Ill.—The block machine put out by this company was much admired; and a crowd was always around, watching its operation. The exhibit was in charge of Frank Gross and two assistants.

Roughen, P., Fond du Lac, Wis.—Mr. Roughen demonstrated the use of his adjustable street gauge, for grading and giving crown to streets. The working model was very interesting.

Sackett Screen & Chute Co., Chicago, Ill.—The line manufactured by this company covers a wide range, including dump cars and buckets, deck cars and trucks, turntables and switches, screens, elevators, hoists, wheelbarrows, etc.—also a flexible chute for depositing material by gravity. The exhibit was in charge of A. H. Morehouse, assisted by S. A. Williams, Jr., and O. A. Matthews.

Sandusky Portland Cement Co., Sandusky, Ohio.—This exhibit consisted of a reproduction of an Italian garden in Medusa White, which formed a most effective display. Those in charge were S. B. Newberry, J. Newberry, L. B. Stuart, R. R. Fish, S. C. Printy, A. B. Nelson, and H. D. Jenkins.

Sasgen Brothers, Chicago, Ill.—This company showed a circle sawing hoist operated either by hand or power, pole and setter derricks, etc. M. T. and M. J. Sasgen were present, assisted by Mrs. D. Browne of the New York office, and M. D. O'Keefe of Plainfield, N. J.

Schluter, M. L., Chicago, Ill.—Rapid and flexible floor surfacers for stone, concrete, terrazzo, and wooden floors. Mr. Schluter, patentee, in charge, assisted by H. W. Newitt.

Simpson Cement Mold Co., Columbus, Ohio.—No cement show would be complete without the Simpson exhibit. This one was of the accustomed interesting quality, consisting of iron moulds for making concrete columns, newels, balustrades, rails, vases, and other ornamental work, together with examples of the finished product. Mr. H. G. Simpson and A. W. Ross were in charge of the exhibit.

Sioux City Cement Machinery Co., Sioux City, Iowa.—The McCracken tile machine was here in operation, turning out perfect tiles with neatness and dispatch. The exhibit was in charge of Will and Frank McCracken and Chas. Young.

Smith, D. B., Mount Healthy, Ohio.—The "Permit" cement brick machine. Mr. Smith in charge, assisted by Herman Berdke of Cincinnati, O.

Smith Wire & Iron Works, F. P., Chicago, Ill.—In this exhibit were shown wire spirals for column reinforcement; also the "Smith" girderless floor construction, floor reinforcing fabrics, and stirrups for girders.

Smith Co., T. L., Chicago, Ill.—Exhibit in charge of Mr. A. L. Tucker, Dist. Mgr., and G. E. Hillsman, who regaled all comers with the facts of the case concerning the large dam at Keokuk, Ia., across the Mississippi, the largest dam that has been built in the country. It is stated that seven Smith mixers are in use on this contract.

Snell Mfg. Co., South Bend, Ind.—Here was shown the operation of the well-known "Snell" open-to-view batch mixer, and an automatic loading device, doing away with the necessity for wheelbarrows in filling the mixing drum. A. Hunsberger, President of the company, was in attendance, with G. W. Moon, assistant in charge; also Willard Dice, the Chicago agent.

Snuggs Mfg. Co., Jackson, Mich.—The "Little Wonder" tile machine. D. Snuggs in charge.

Somers Bros., Urbana, Ill.—Their exhibit consisted of the Somers Pressure Block Machine and blocks made thereon. Frank Somers and Ed. Somers, assisted by H. Christensen, were on hand to show how the work was done, and had no difficulty in interesting the buying crowd.

Southern Wisconsin Sand & Gravel Co., Rockford, Ill.—Sand and gravel and reinforced concrete posts. George A. Rubin, Bus. Mgr., in charge, assisted by A. A. Rotstein and David Rubin.

Space Saving Appliance Co., New York, N. Y.—This exhibit attracted a great deal of attention. It consisted of "Space Saving" and sanitary specialties, consisting of combination sink and drain board, laundry tubs, shower bath, etc., also the Madsen automatic water-heater. Messrs. S. Velle and C. H. King were in charge.

Standard Scale & Supply Co., Chicago, Ill.—Here the visitor could examine at leisure the company's large line of "Eclipse" concrete mixers, hoists, engines and other concreting machinery. M. H. Reed, Chicago manager, was in charge, assisted by J. S. Simpson, Sales Mgr., W. A. Browning, Engineer, of Michigan, and F. F. Gillett.

Sterling Machinery Co., West Salem, Wis.—There are many interesting points about the "Sterling" adjustable combination cement brick and block machine for making a waterproof product by the wet process. Mr. E. Wege was in attendance, and ready at all times to give visitors his attention.

Sterling Pattern Works, Sterling, Ill.—This exhibit included the "Sterling" power concrete mixer and the "New State" hand mixer, and was in charge of Ward Lincoln, assisted by R. L. Halsted.

Sterling Wheelbarrow Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Sterling sheet-steel wheelbarrows and two-wheel carts for concrete work. H. H. Baker in charge.

Stocker Concrete Material Washer Co., Highland, Ill.—Messrs. F. Stocker and L. J. Kuhn had the Stocker Gravel and Sand Washer in operation, and were proving to many interested parties that material from their own gravel banks, no matter how dirty, would be just as good as the best if properly washed.

Studebaker Bros. Mfg. Co., South Bend, Ind.—The exhibit of this well-known company, which has a branch house in Chicago, included a bottom-dump wagon and a bottom-dump box for use with a farm wagon gear. Mr. J. L. Lindsey, of Rockford, Ill., was in charge.

Swiss Concrete Machinery Co., Dayton, O.—A brick, block and tile machine with revolving moulds, adaptable to use of ordinarily wasted material, such as tan-bark, corn cobs, etc. W. O. Shanafelt in charge.

Taylor, John L., Chicago, Ill.—The "Taylor" portable steel derrick for unloading gondola cars. Mr. Taylor in charge.

Tesco Products Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Artificial marble, onyx, granite, scagliola, etc., for wainscoting, mouldings, columns, counters, etc. Jos. E. Pollworth, Sec. and Gen. Mgr., in charge, assisted by Frederick Pollworth.

Toledo Wheelbarrow Co., Chicago, Ill.—Wheelbarrows and carts of various patterns for the use of contractors. W. L. Schumacher in charge.

Trussed Concrete Steel Co., Detroit, Mich.—The display showed the "Kahn" system of reinforcing, made by this company, and was a comprehensive display. Those in the booth were S. M. Fecheimer, R. A. Plumb, I. L. Hirschman, F. C. Ayers, T. W. Murray, V. L. Page, C. B. Mayer, and W. B. Tynan.

Twentieth Century Manufacturing Co., Chicago Heights, Ill.—C. C. Denny in charge, assisted by Mr. G. H. Wright, contractor, of Chicago Heights, who states that he has finished 45,000 square yards of sidewalk with this company's long-handled cement workers' tools, and guarantees that he will finish alone all the walk that a gang of fifty men will lay. The "wrist motion" between the handle and blade of this tool is what does it, he explains.

Ubbink, Jos., Port Washington, Wis.—An interesting exhibit of all-steel adjustable forms and accessories for cement sidewalk construction. In charge of Mr. Ubbink, who is assisted by his son, Wm. J. Ubbink, and Frank A. Kendall.

United Concrete Machine Co., Columbus, O.—This exhibit included a large line of concrete mixers, tile and block machines, and various contractors' devices. J. W. Sanderson was in attendance.

United States Gypsum Co., Chicago, Ill.—This company had a beautiful display of the products of hard wall plaster. The company was represented by W. H. Price, R. F. Baggan, H. J. Schmoeger, W. B. Collins, S. H. Beard, S. Jampolis, E. H. West, and Clyde Crane.

United States Metal Products Co., New York, N. Y.—Hollow-metal and metal-covered doors, windows, partitions, etc.; hollow-metal wainscoting, moulding, and all interior trim; all-steel medicine cabinets and cut-out boxes; rolled steel window sash; bronze and copper doors and windows; steel automobile bodies; and sectional safety stair treads. C. Dickens Sternfels, Adv. Mgr., in charge, with Geo. Karbureck, Sales Mgr.

United States Silica Co., Chicago, Ill.—R. E. Hyatt and H. E. Blood, Jr., were in charge of a very interesting exhibit of white Silica sand of various grades of fineness. Many mistook the powdered or pulverized Silica sand for pulverized sugar, and ate freely of it. One aged contractor pronounced it a No. 1 as a dyspepsia cure, but Mr. Hyatt affirms that the entire supply is needed for legitimate building purposes.

Universal Concrete Machinery Co., Waterloo, Iowa.—Block machines, hand and power mixers, well-curb moulds, etc. J. L. Shannon, Pres., in charge, with O. R. Taylor, Vice-Pres., and Treas.

Universal Crusher Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—E. A. Velde, Sales Mgr., F. R. Mason, Asst. Mgr., and F. G. Doyle were kept busy explaining the good points of the "Universal" crusher, of which a number of sizes were shown. What are claimed to be the smallest and most powerful crushers in the world were set up and running. These, it was explained, are used in assaying.

Universal Portland Cement Co., Chicago, Ill.—This display consisted of a concrete fence made of "Universal," and was ornate to a degree. A bag shaker, the mill sampler, and a scene representing the mill at Buffington, Ind., with cars and kilns in operation, were shown. Mr. Affleck, Mr. Rader, and Mr. Van Doorn, with their corps of salesmen, were always on hand to explain to visitors.

Universal Sanitary Appliance Co., Chicago, Ill.—An exhibit of concrete garbage and ash receptacles, and the forms for their construction. This interesting exhibit was in charge of Louis G. Raggio.

Urschel Bates Valve Bag Co., Toledo, Ohio.—This is an exhibit of bag-filling machinery and valve bags, which are now used in a majority of the cement mills. L. H. Hartman was in charge, assisted by R. J. Thompson and Carl Hartman.

Van Guilder Hollow-Wall Co., Rochester, N. Y.—Mr. W. H. Van Guilder, with Leo S. Terhaar and W. N. Britton, showed the use of the Van Guilder Hollow-Wall Machine, for which great rapidity of operation and strength of wall construction is claimed.

Wabash Portland Cement Co., Detroit, Mich.—A beautiful exhibit showing the possibilities of plain and ornamental concrete work, using Wabash Portland cement. Mr. S. P. Selby and Mr. G. O. Harcourt were in charge, welcoming the friends of the company.

Wadsworth-Howland & Co., Inc., Boston, Mass.—Messrs. H. M. Gordon and L. L. Turner had on exhibition a number of attractive panels, showing the use of "Bay State" brick and cement coating for the decoration and protection of brick, cement, and concrete surfaces. It was stated that this coating is the "Grandfather of them all," being the first waterproof coating for cement on the market.

Wallace Concrete Machinery Co., Los Angeles, Cal.—This company showed a fine power mixer. Those in charge were R. B. Summer, S. T. Wallace, and M. J. Griffith.

Waterloo Cement Machinery Corporation, Waterloo, Iowa.—This was a spacious exhibit showing special features of the well-known "Polygon" type of mixer mounted on truck with gasoline engine and power loader. The company's line also included carts, wheelbarrows, dump cars, stone crushers, screens, etc. C. D. Walworth was in charge.

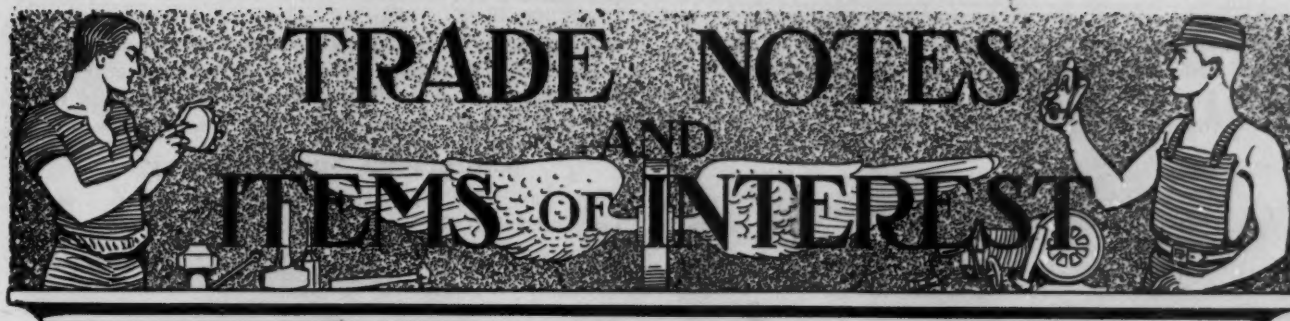
Wert, C. S., Kendallville, Ind.—Mr. Wert, the inventor, was himself in charge of the exhibit, which includes the "Perfect" brick machine and tile machine, and the "Perfect" line of well, cistern, silo, fence-post and sill and cap moulds. R. Armstrong assisted in doing the honors.

Western Brick Machine Co., La Crosse, Wis.—"Western" and "Leader" brick machines and well-curb moulds. Wm. Garbers, Pres., in charge, assisted by Aug. Houthmaker, Sec.-Treas.

Wolverine Portland Cement Co., Coldwater, Mich.—A very attractive booth, consisting of cement railing, urns, and pedestals constructed of Wolverine Portland cement.

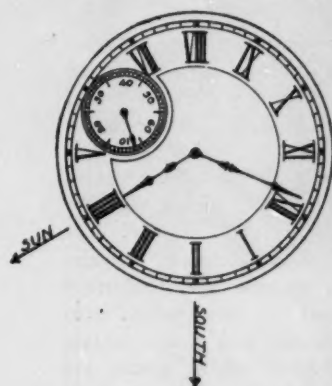
X-L-All Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill.—The X-L-All concrete block and tile machines and mixers. In charge of Mr. W. C. Burrell, President, Ralph Burrell, C. B. Russell, and H. Dubois.

Zagelmeyer Cast Stone Co., Bay City, Mich.—A fine display of the company's system of block casting machinery was shown. Alex. and Frank Zagelmeyer were in charge. W. H. Corey of Grand Rapids, Wis., an enterprising block manufacturer, made the display.



The Watch as a Compass

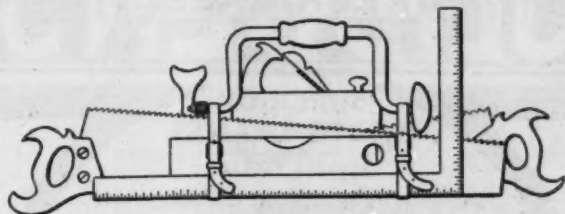
The points of the compass may be determined with the aid of an ordinary watch if held in a position so that the hour hand is directed toward the sun. The south then lies exactly midway between whatever hour it may happen to be and the numeral XII on the dial.



It's a pretty handy thing to know sometimes.

Handle for Carrying Tools

Carpenters, electricians, plumbers and others having to carry tools any distance, may find the following suggestion offered by the *Woodworker* of considerable assistance: Arrange tools into a compact parcel, leaving the brace out. Hav-

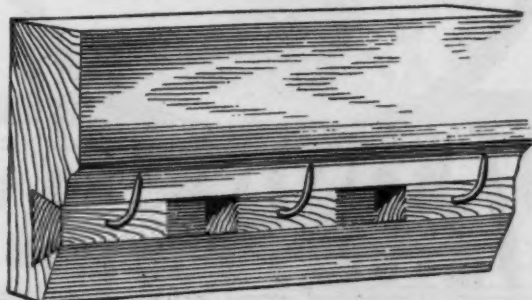


Compact Bundle with Brace as Handle

ing procured two straps, put one around each end of bundle. Before buckling straps, place the brace on top of pack, then fasten straps over each end of brace, and you have a handle which will greatly reduce the tedium of carrying tools any distance.

New Idea for Curtain Stretchers

There is hardly a household in which a curtain stretcher does not, at some period of the year, play an important part.



Pins Are Mounted on Sliding Blocks

A prominent woodworking concern is making twelve different patterns, and in their manufacture have demonstrated that there is always something new to be found out in the producing of any article. They have made what is known as the adjustable pin stretcher, the brass, nickel plated pins which hold the curtain, being set in adjustable sliding blocks. The cut given furnishes a correct representation of the use of this new idea.

Cleaning a Painted Wall

A little ammonia added to warm water answers admirably for this purpose. The advantage of ammonia is that it evaporates and leaves no residue; borax, soda and similar salts are apt to leave a residue which does not evaporate.

Special Hand Ax for Flooring

The L. & I. J. White Co., Buffalo, N. Y., has just placed upon the market a special flooring pattern of hand axe, which is illustrated herewith. The particular feature of this axe is that the end is perfectly straight and at right angles with the handle, thus being different from the hand axe heretofore used for flooring purposes. The new pattern is such that the axe will clear itself and not strike the floor when being used by the carpenter. When it is taken into consideration that practically half of the hand axes sold are for use in connection with the laying of floors, it will be readily appreciated that this improvement is important, the pattern here shown seems better adapted to this work than the old style. The axe weighs 2 pounds and has a cutting edge of 4 inches. We understand that the company is meeting with a very gratifying demand for it, and that carpenters who are using it speak in very high terms of its merits for the purpose named.

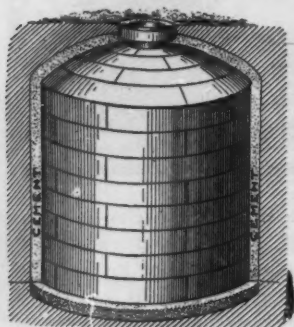


Good Money Building Concrete Cisterns

Big returns for contractors and builders are promised by the Kuhn Cistern Form Co., of Columbus, O., to all who will take up their proposition for the building of concrete cisterns.

It is stated that the Kuhn cistern form is almost completely revolutionizing the process of cistern building. Through its use the best and most lasting cisterns can be constructed at a saving of time, labor and material; and the mechanism is so simple that even the most inexperienced laborer can set up a form and build the cistern as satisfactorily as an expert mechanic. We know of no business that promises larger returns to the contractor, or even the unskilled laborer, with so small an outlay of money, as the making of cisterns and tanks with these forms.

This apparatus consists of a form made up of sections to be placed in the ground, the excavation having been made large enough to allow a four-inch space between the form and the earth. Concrete is then poured around the form where it is allowed to harden for a period of three or four days. The form is then removed and after a solution of clear cement



Cement Cistern Made With Kuhn Forms.

and water-proof compound is applied to the rough surface in the same manner as paint, the cistern is complete.

The forms are made of sheet steel, the hooks and latches of malleable iron—all parts being practically indestructible. Scaffolding rods are provided with all cistern forms. One of the illustrations shows the use of these rods for supporting the scaffold boards during the process of erecting. Each circular section is one foot high, consisting of four parts, all interchangeable. Any number of sections may be used—varying with the contents desired. For example, the No. 4 form will make cisterns eight feet in diameter, containing any number of barrels up to one hundred. The sections are wired together for shipping, the entire weight ranging from three hundred to two thousand pounds.

It is stated that the prices are very reasonable. There are no state or county rights to buy. The only restriction is that the form is sold under a guarantee that it will not be used in Franklin county, Ohio, the patentee reserving full rights in that county. All interested should write the Kuhn Cistern Form Co., Columbus, O.

Underfeed Saves Money

There has never been a year since the introduction of the Peck-Williamson Co. Underfeed Furnaces and Boilers which has not been marked by tremendous increases in sales. The popularity of the Underfeed is universal and emphasized in multiplying letters of appreciation. The fact that Peck-Williamson Underfeed heaters save—as it is claimed—one-half to two-thirds of coal bills is information just as cheerful in the states where zero is rarely felt as in Manitoba or other Canadian provinces where the mercury slips far into the bulb of thermometers.

Underfeed furnaces and boilers possess so many points of exclusive heating value that it is really no surprise to learn that the Peck-Williamson Company recently carried off the biggest contract in heating history. Through their Columbus representatives, forty furnaces were installed in seven buildings at the Ohio State Fair grounds at Columbus. Their efficiency was fully tested and approved during the cold days of February conventions in the Capital city of the Buckeye State.

The Underfeed coal-burning plan has been adopted by many municipalities as best for health, because the Underfeed system with all fire on top and coal fed from below, does away with the smoke nuisance. Smoke and gases contain many heat units which, wasted in other heating plants, are conserved and utilized as heat in the Underfeed. Smoke must pass through the fire, is burned and transformed into more heat.

Kawneer System of Store Fronts

Store Fronts That "Make Good"

The Kawneer System of Store Fronts is the original solid, all-metal store front construction, and from the first has met with universal approval, not only by merchants and owners of store buildings, but by technical men as well. You will approve of and use the Kawneer System if you are shown the many characteristic features that have made it so popular.

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Kawneer System of Store Fronts

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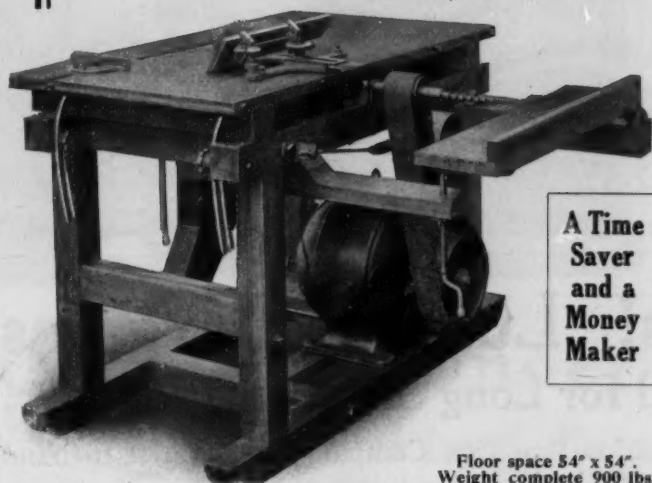
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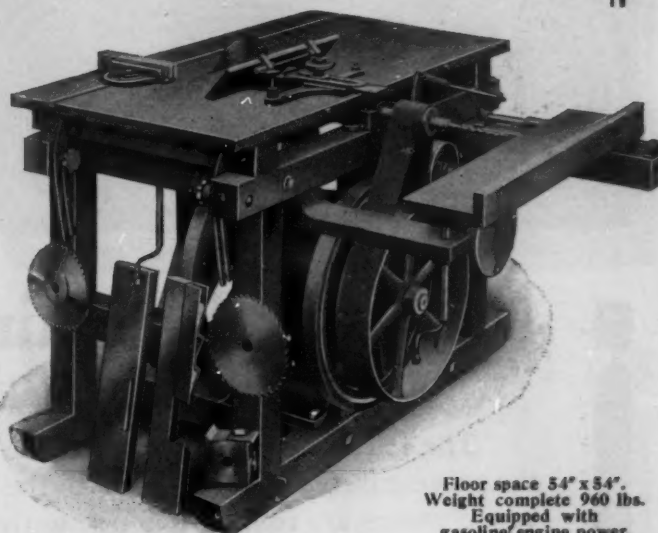
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This machine comprises a rip saw, a cut-off saw, a mitre saw, a dado machine, a rabbetting machine, a joiner, a boring machine, a gaining machine, a groover, a matcher, and a moulder.

Capacity in 1 inch lumber, 75 to 125 lineal feet per minute; in 2 inch lumber 25 to 50 feet per minute. Will rip 3 inch lumber easily and can be utilized to work 4 inch stock.

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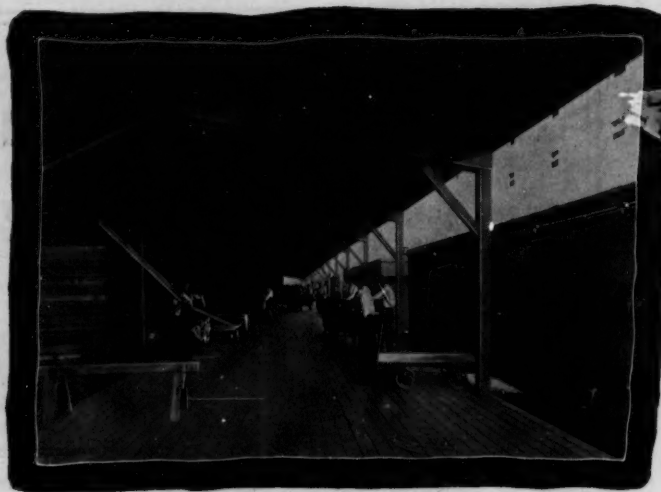
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The new Gordon-Van Tine Building Material Catalog, now ready for the mails, is the most important document we have ever issued. It is as far in advance of our last year's offering as our mammoth new concrete building material plant is ahead of the one wiped out by fire in November, 1909. Send for a copy *at once*.

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Gordon-Van Tine Co.



Finishing Lumber Shed No. 2



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It is claimed that pea and buckwheat sizes of hard and soft coal and cheapest slack will yield as much clean, even heat in the Underfeed as highest priced coal; this is another factor in proving that while the cost of living has increased, the cost of heating has been successfully hammered down by the Underfeed. Contractors and builders are especially interested in the easily proved declaration that an Underfeed heating plant adds to the renting or selling value of any building.

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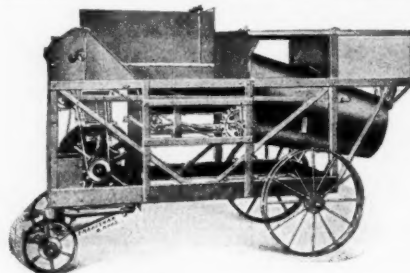
The Little Giant Mixer

The Little Giant concrete mixers manufactured by the Ballou Manufacturing Company, Belding, Mich., were one of the leading attractions at the recent cement show in Chicago.

The striking feature of the Ballou concrete mixers is the accuracy of the proportioning device. The materials are fed into their respective hoppers which are provided with adjustable gates that regulate the flow of materials in greater or less amounts as required. The materials being forced toward the gates by a special cork screw agitator are drawn out by a heavy conveyor belt in the exact proportions desired, and as determined by the adjustment of the gate. Thus, a maximum output of 15 yards an hour may be obtained or less than half that amount, according to the setting of the gates. The aggregate is then delivered into the upper end of the revolving drum, the rotary action of which thoroughly blends the material before the water is used, thereby making the balling of the

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The company claims that these machines possess the greatest strength in proportion to their weight of any built, the frames being trussed angle iron. The wearing parts are reduced to a minimum, and the cost for repairs and upkeep is therefore claimed to be a fraction of that of most continuous



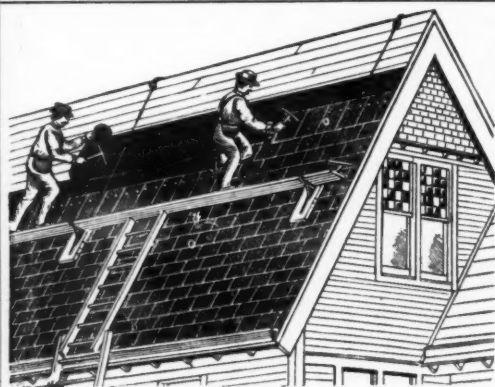
mixers. The mechanism is so simple that anyone can operate the machine. All power mixers are mounted, having high rear wheels, as they are most convenient to move.

The Ballou Manufacturing Company makes a number of different models of mixers. Three of them are Model A, the hand mixer; Model B, the two-hopper power; and Model C, the three-hopper power. They will be glad to answer all inquiries in regard to any of these mixers. Address correspondence to the Ballou Manufacturing Company, Belding, Mich.

Arthur Michaudel—Stained Glass

The accompanying illustration shows a beautiful stained glass window recently placed in St. Columbkille's Church, Paulina St. and Grand Ave., Chicago, by the well known art

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How to Lay "Neverleak" Metal Shingles

The directions for laying "Neverleak" metal shingles—"the roof that's water proof"—as given by their manufacturers, the Tiffin Art Metal Co., Tiffin, Ohio, are as follows:

Commence at lower left-hand corner of roof. In starting be particular to see that first course is started straight.

Draw a chalk-line parallel with the eaves. Get it high enough on the roof to permit first course of shingles to project about two inches over eaves. This is usually enough.

The shingle is nailed to the roof boards at nailing flange

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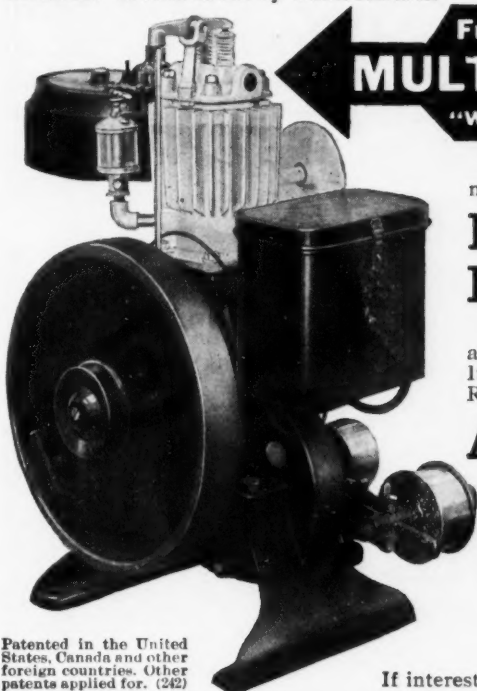
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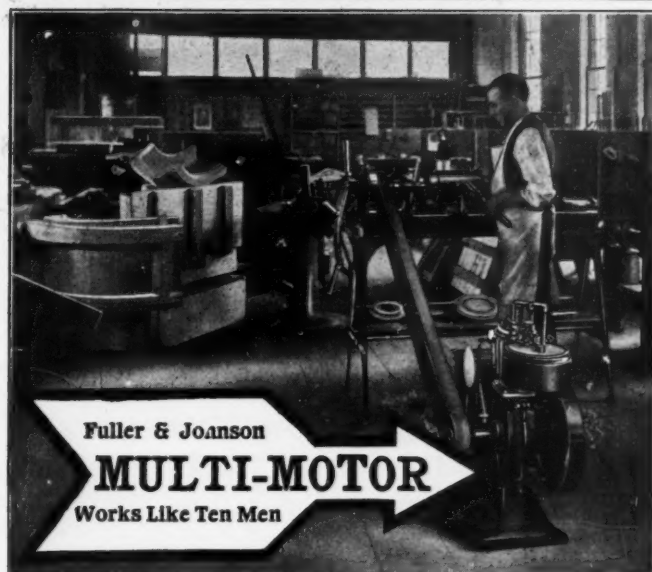
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Durable, Attractive and Weatherproof Roof of "Neverleak" Shingles

on right side of shingle.

Two nails should be used, one at top and one at bottom, each about two inches from end of shingle.

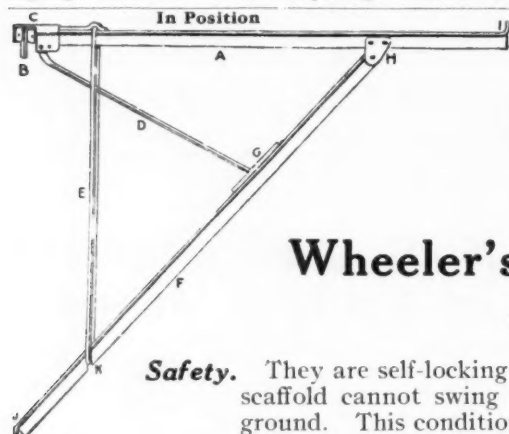
Do not hammer down the locks of the shingle. All that is required is to nail them. Every other course begins with a half shingle.

If it is desired to have the finish flush with the eaves begin at the lower left-hand corner as above, being careful to get the first course of shingles parallel with the eave, by nailing a cleat to butt the shingles against, put on six or seven shingles, loosely nailed to make sure that you are starting right. Then nail on a strip of gable end finish, beginning

at the eaves and complete nailing the finish as you go toward the peak or ridge.

Before you nail on all the shingles, put on the Ridge Roll or Hip Cap and fit the shingles into it, putting the shingles up into the fold of the cap, not under it. Do not nail through the cap and shingle.

"Neverleak" Metal Shingles are laid on the same rules that govern the laying of wood shingles or slate. In flashing against a side wall, bend the shingles so as to project up the side of the wall three inches and counterflash down to the roof line. These directions apply to dormers, chimneys, skylights, etc.



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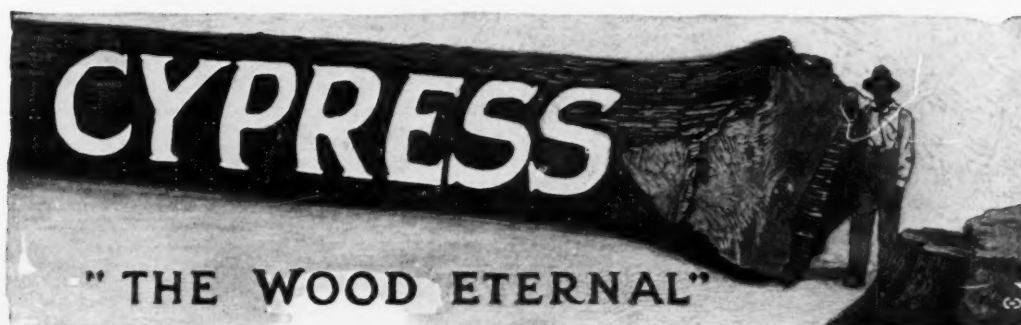
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Selling Talk No. 11

4186 BUILDINGS BURNED

A recent issue of a publication devoted to insurance interests records 4186 fires which they directly attribute to the use of wood shingle roofs.

From this same article under the heading "*The Folly of Wooden Roofs*," we quote the following opinion, expressed before the Chamber of Commerce of Richmond, Va., in a discussion of wood roofs:

"They are wholly bad and should not be tolerated in any state or city—Twenty-seven per cent of all fire losses are due to exposure; that is they spread from one building to another and the main cause of exposure fires, apart from unprotected windows is that of (wood) shingle roofs."

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Next month's talk will tell why Cortright's make the handsome roof

"Hoosier" Cement Columns

The tendency of the property owner is to have not only an attractive home, but one that has as many conveniences for comfort as possible. The roomy veranda or porch is rightfully becoming more popular every day. When well designed and built it adds to the attractiveness of the house. The Colonial column is being specified and used in nearly every part of the country by owners desiring a building detail which seldom fails to add greatly to the fine appearance of the home. The "Hoosier" Moulds now being placed on the market by the Hoosier Mfg. Co., Goshen, Ind., will give contractors and cement workers a mould which makes a Colonial column of cement, complete with top and base, without **flutings or sections**, all in one solid piece.

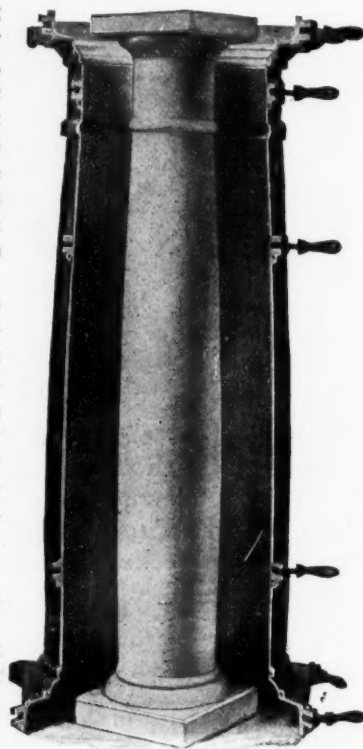
The "Hoosier" porch column mould makes columns 54 and 60 inches high. The top is 9½ inches; base, 11¾ inches square, and the diameter is 9 inches. Two or three of these cement columns can be made each day with a "Hoosier" mold.

The company claim that a cement Colonial column made in their moulds retails at from \$3.50 to \$7.50 each. The cost of manufacturing is said to be 50 cents, or, where made of Medusa

Portland cement and white silica sand, about \$1.00. Only two buckets of cement, five buckets of sand, and one hour's time are required for each column. This, therefore, presents a very attractive proposition as a money maker for the man who wants to manufacture his own porch columns or for the cement workers who desire to make them to sell.

Everyone knows that a well-made cement column has many advantages—and there ought to be a ready market for cement Colonial columns. As a striking testimonial to the popularity of the "Hoosier" cement columns in places where they have been introduced, it is stated that in Goshen, Ind., a city of 9,000 people, there are 300 houses, in the building of which these columns have been used; 19 building contractors use them exclusively.

The Hoosier Mfg. Co. will send full information on request.



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The Economy Roofing and Siding Co., West Main street, Tarrytown, N. Y., are directing the attention of carpenters and builders to a new roofing and siding, which does away with sheathing and building paper; and at the same time, it is claimed, makes a house just as weatherproof and strong. An illustration showing this material is printed herewith.

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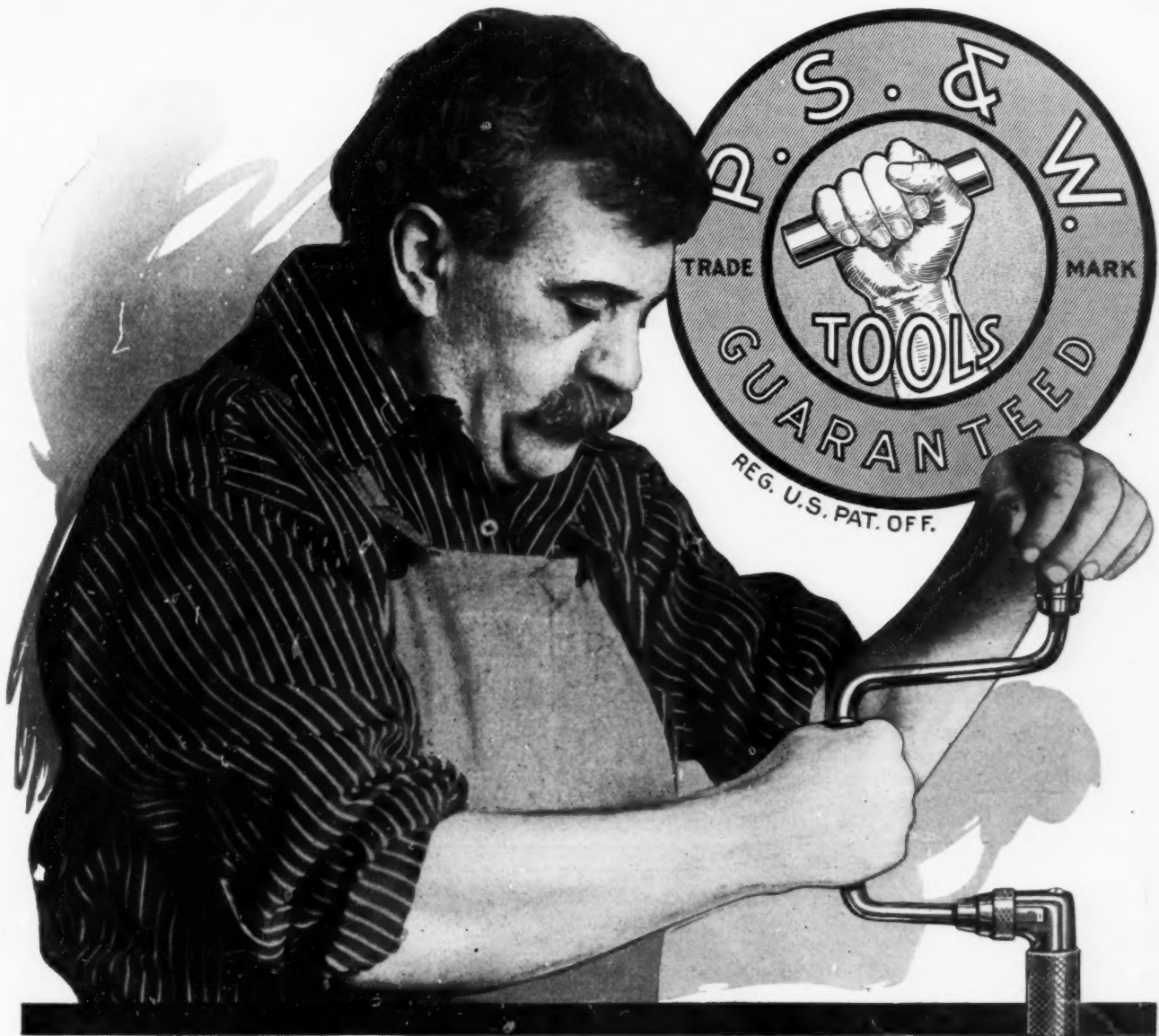
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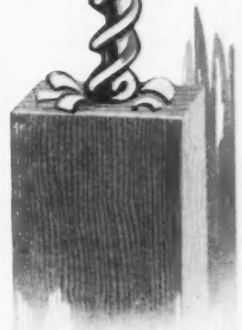
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The Framing Problem Solved

The ABC Protractor Square which is being introduced by the Crookston Tool Company, Crookston, Minn., is certainly a wonder in its line.

Every carpenter knows how difficult it is to use the common square and apply it intelligently to all framing. Every day we find out how little we know about it when we come to do it, and with this in mind the Crookston Tool Company

constructed the ABC Protractor Square. They have produced a tool, which they claim, solves the problem, and which it is possible to readily understand.

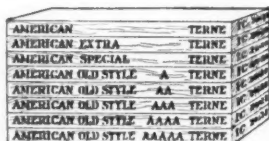
The ABC Protractor Square is an adjustable triangle combined with a degree circle. A triangle that is adjustable makes it possible to get all lengths and bevels without any figuring. There are no imaginary lines with the ABC Protractor square, but three members complete the triangle. The rise, run and the hypotenuse which represents the plum, base cut and the length of a rafter.

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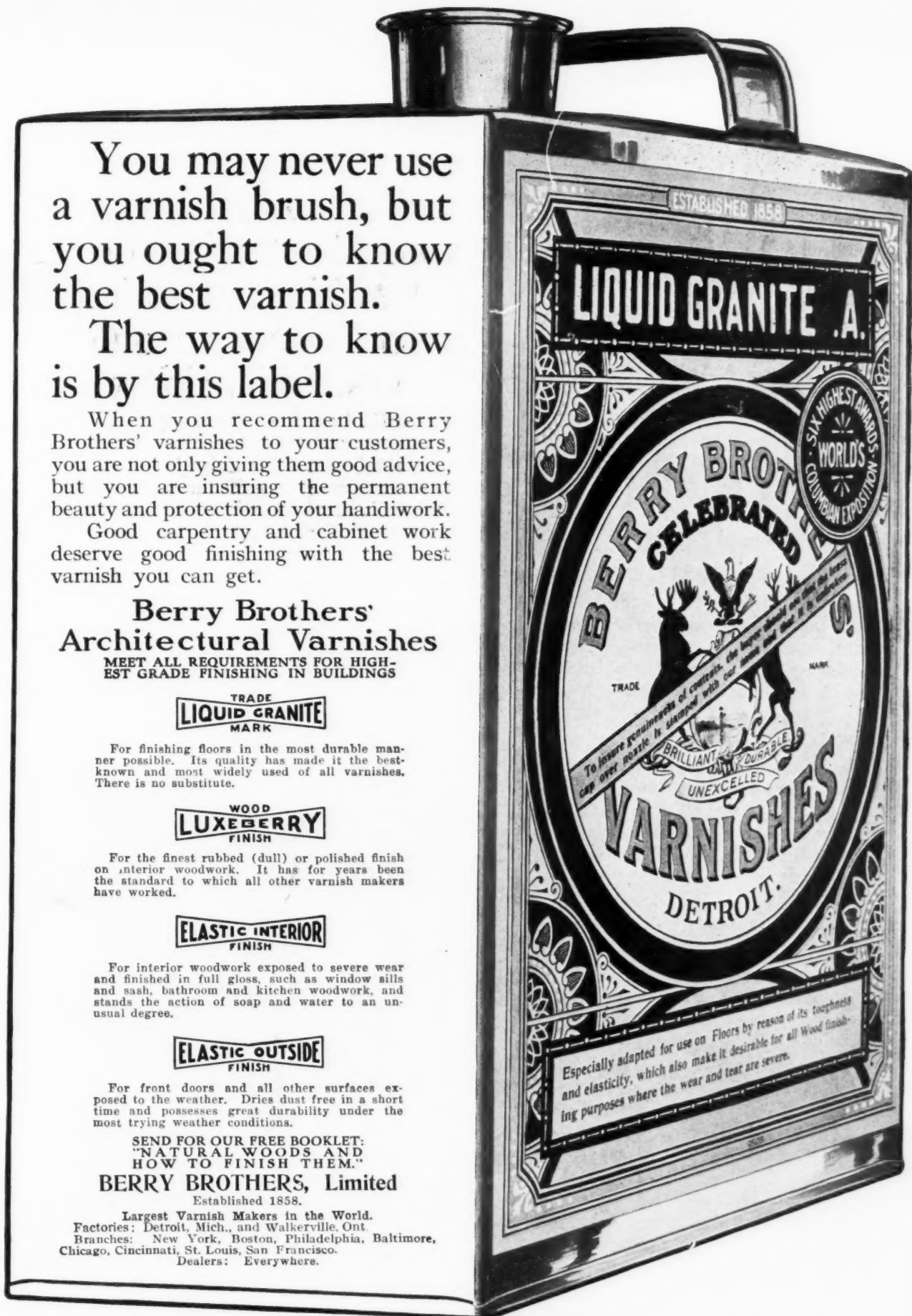
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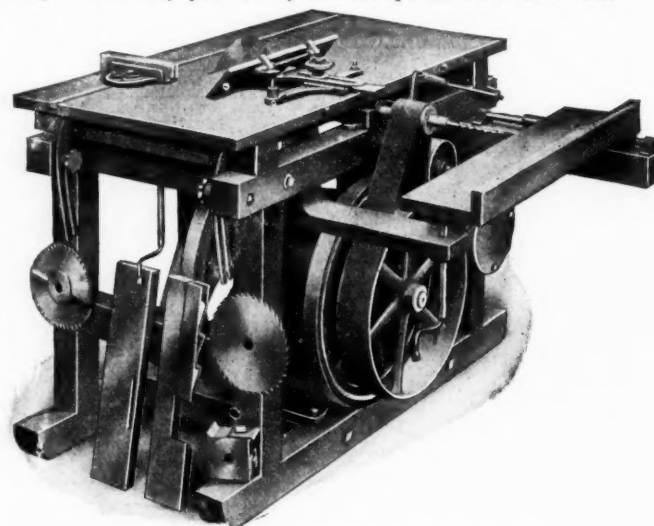
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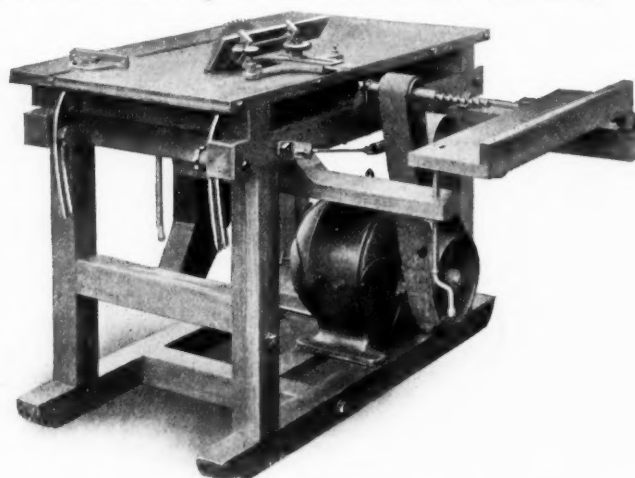
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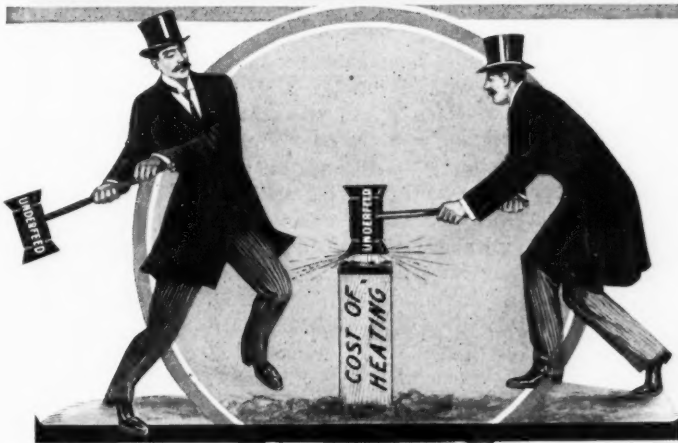


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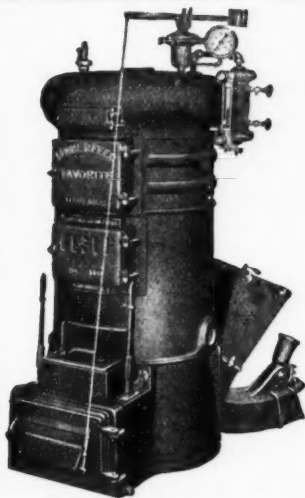
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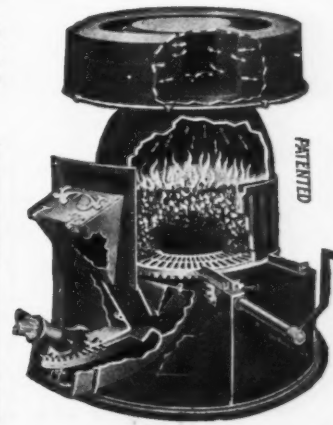
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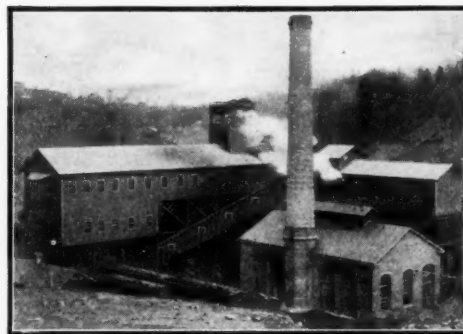
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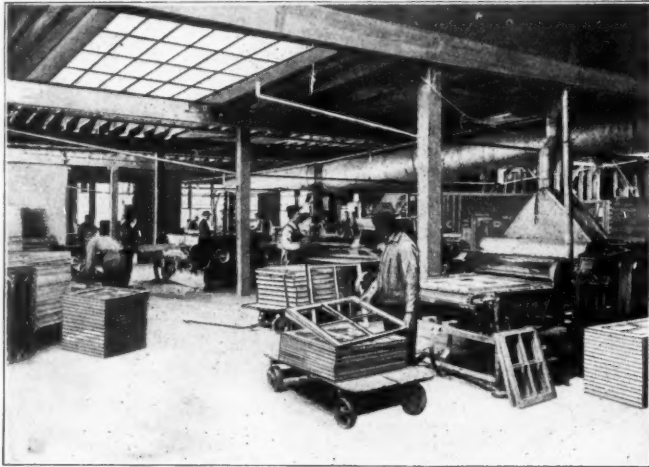
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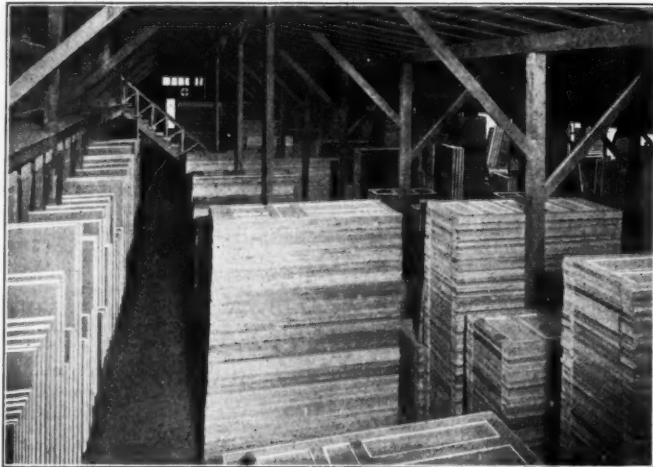
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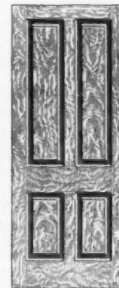
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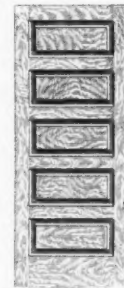
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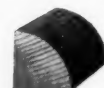
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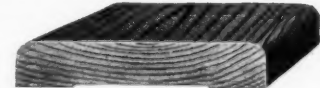
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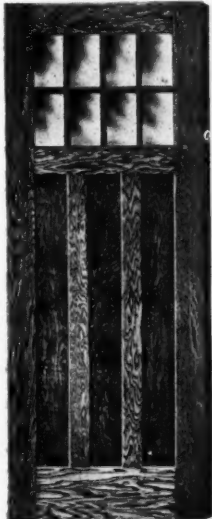
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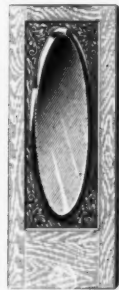
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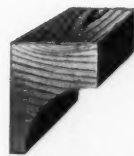
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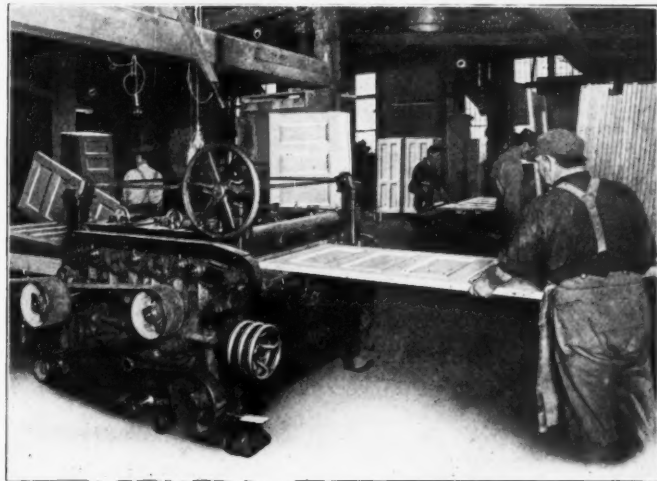


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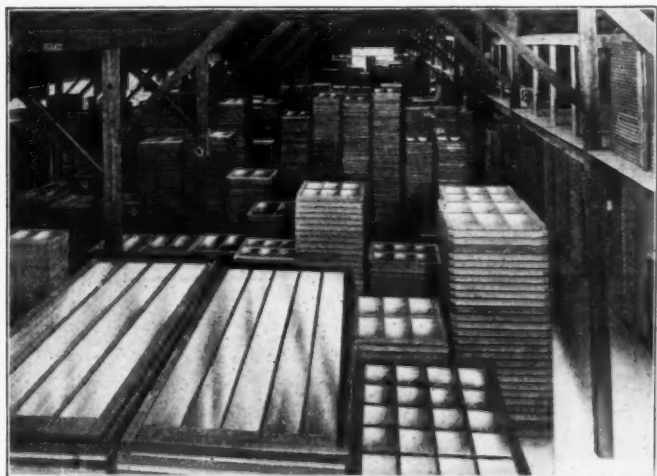
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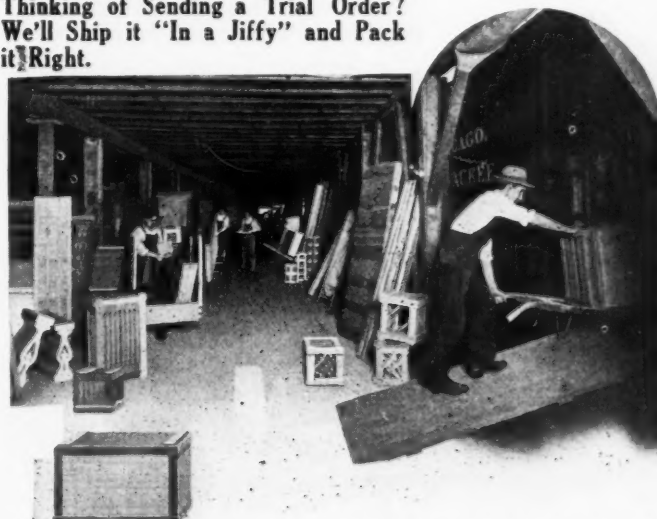
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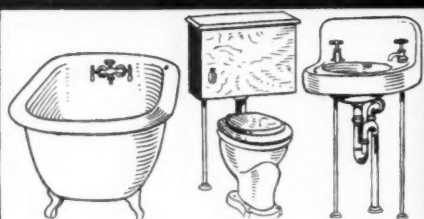
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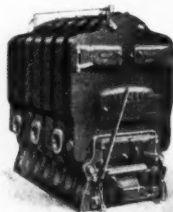
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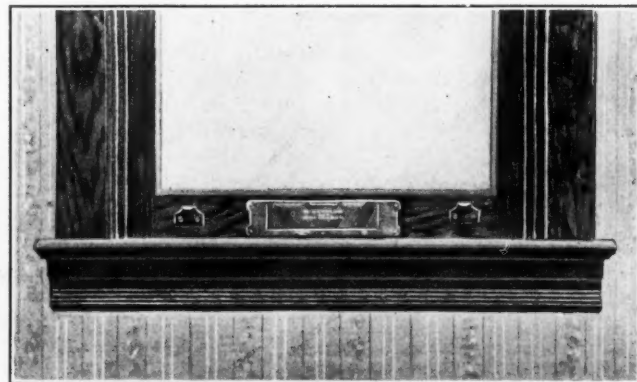
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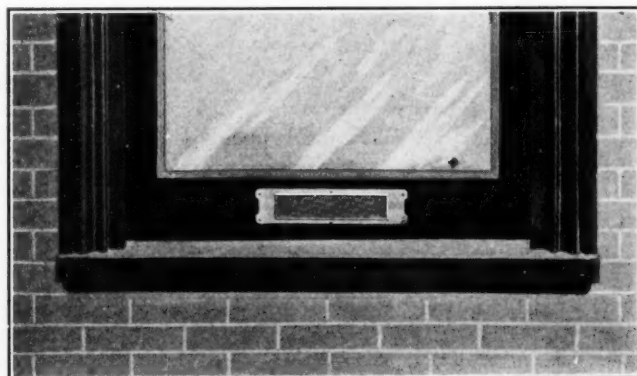


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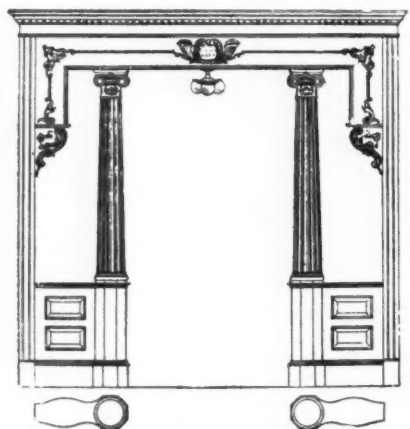
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The Chicago Grille Works

A word is in order concerning the Chicago Grille Works and the position that the managers of this concern have built up for it in the estimation of practical contractors and builders. They have a record of eighteen years in their present location at 826-836 Wells street, Chicago, with satisfied customers from Maine to California, never having a complaint from one of them. This record makes them feel (without egotism) that their work is of the class called "perfection."

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lieve one of these handsome cabinets will soon adorn every modern home.

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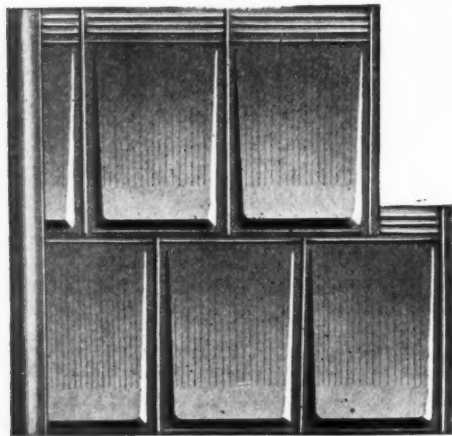
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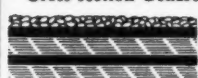
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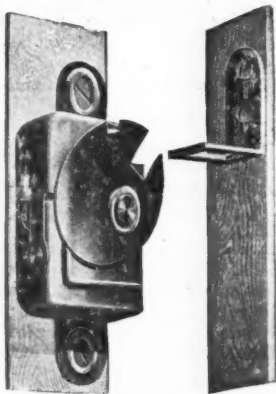
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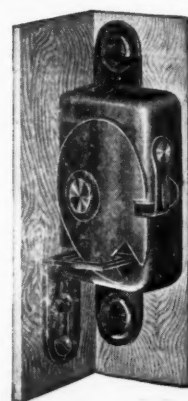
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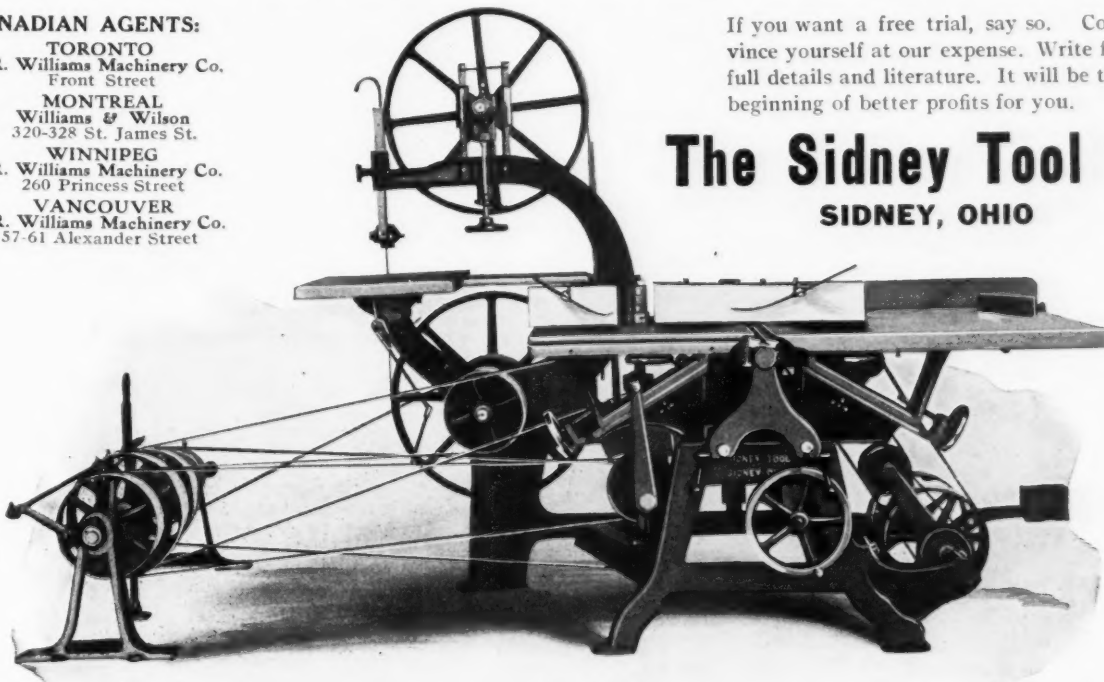
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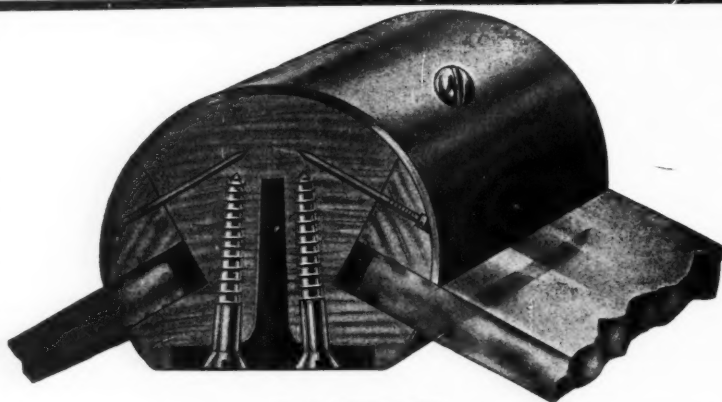
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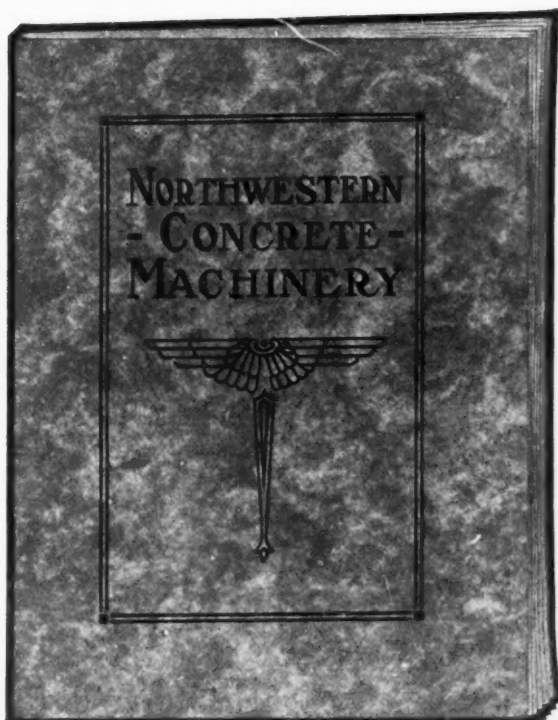
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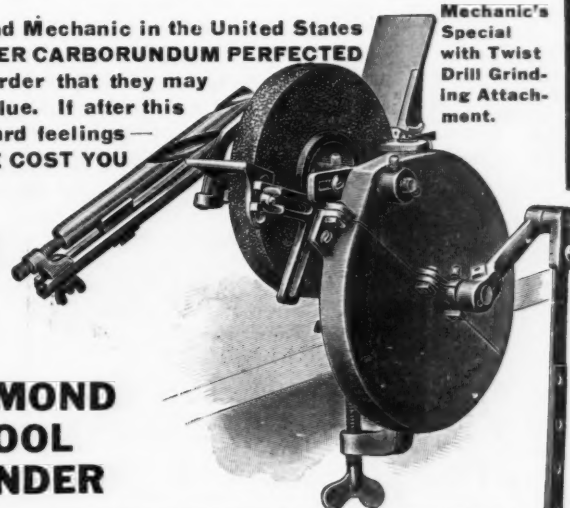
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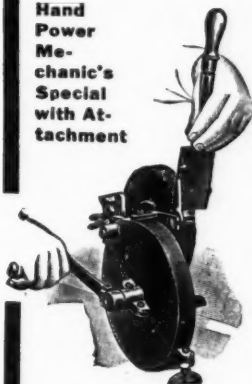
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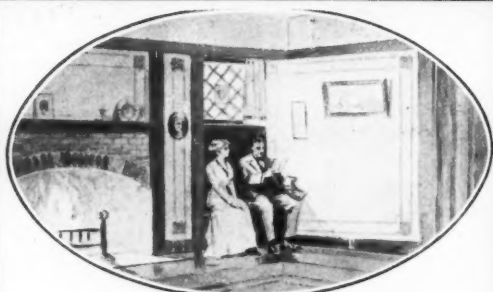
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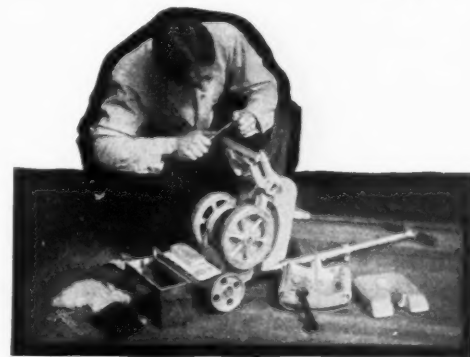
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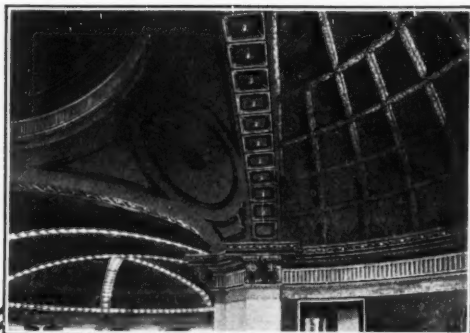
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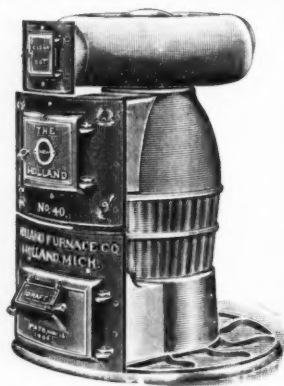


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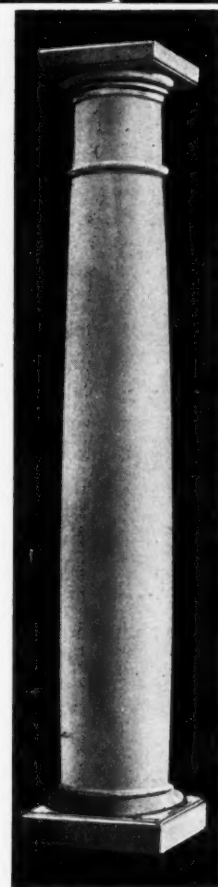
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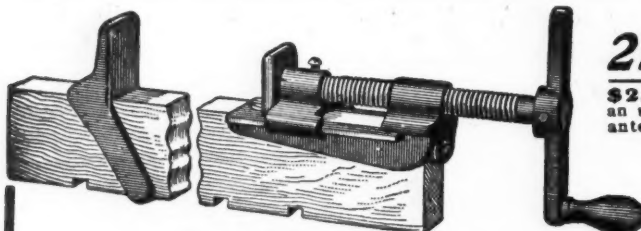
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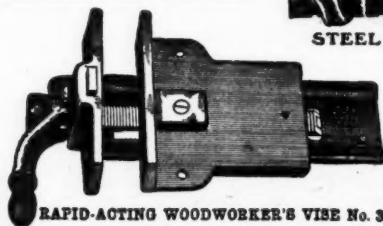
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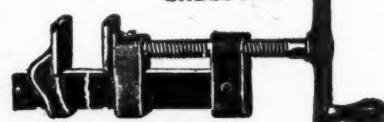
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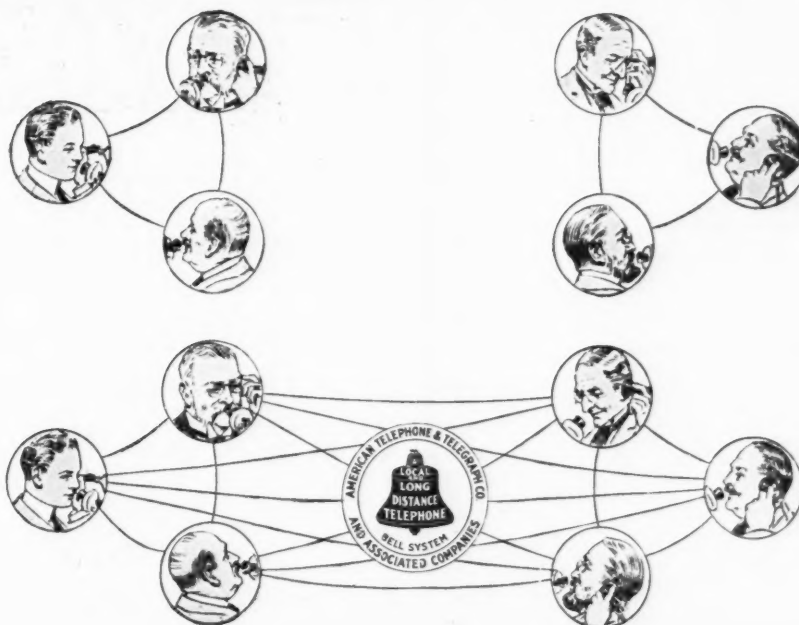
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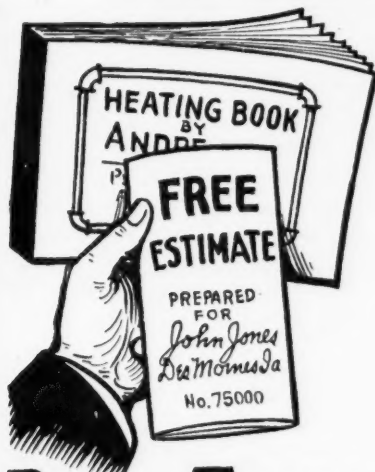
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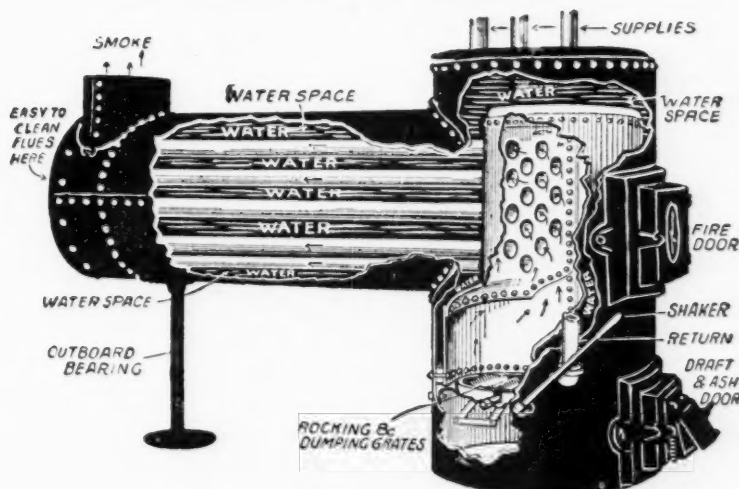
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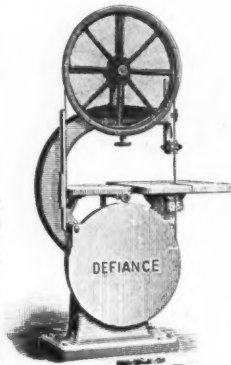
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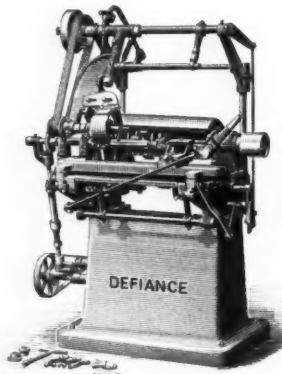
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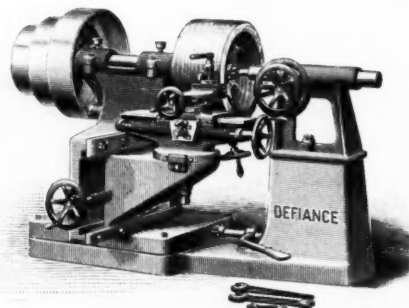


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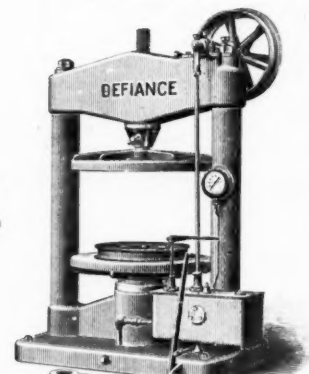
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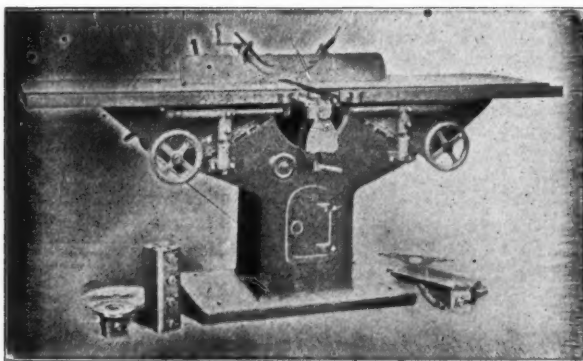
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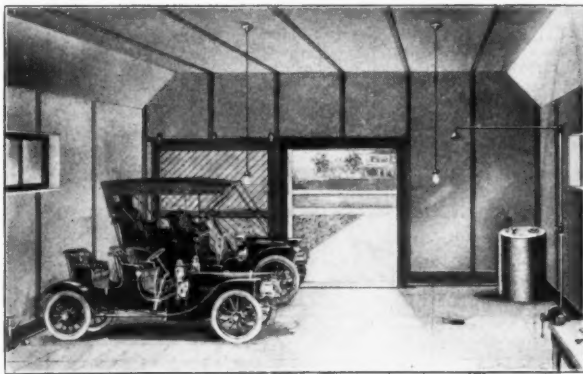


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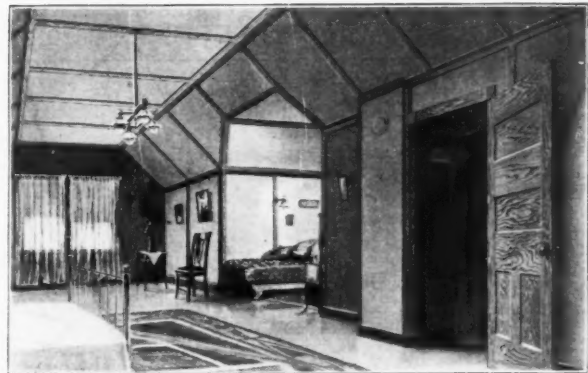
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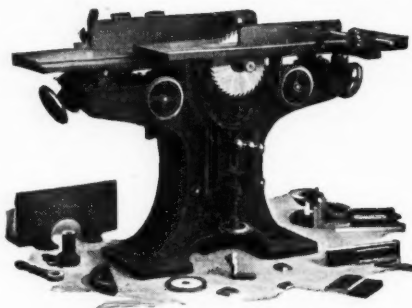
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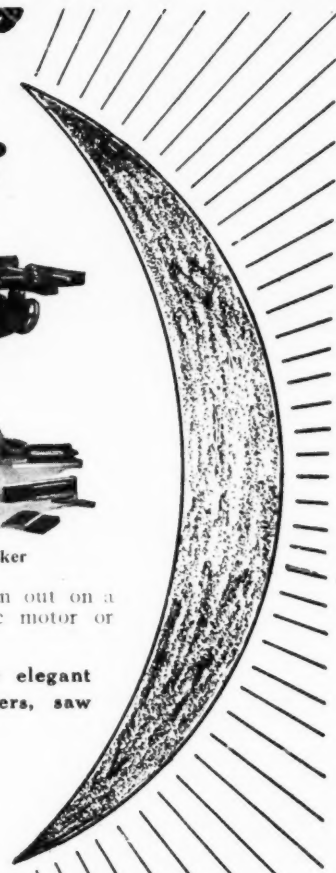
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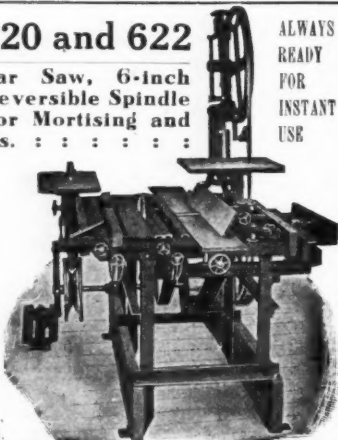
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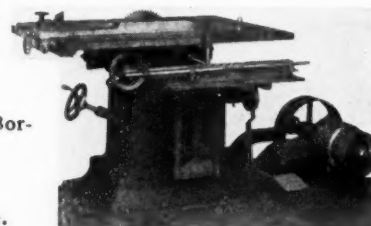


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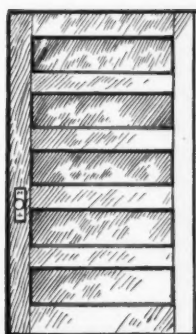
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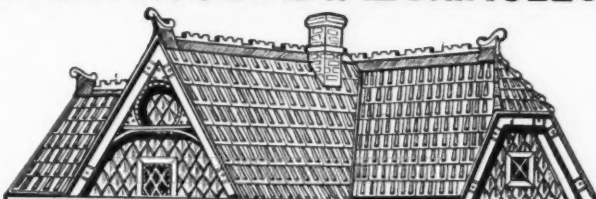
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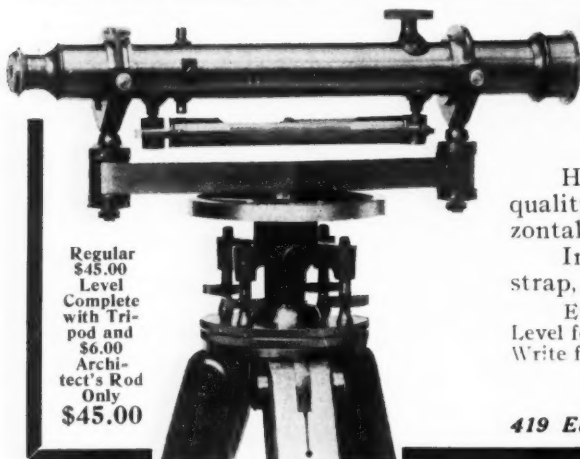
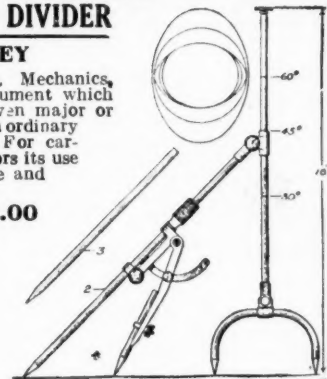
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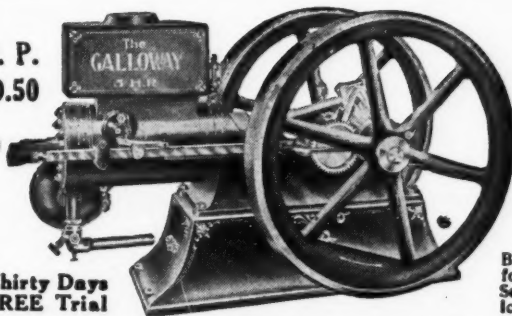
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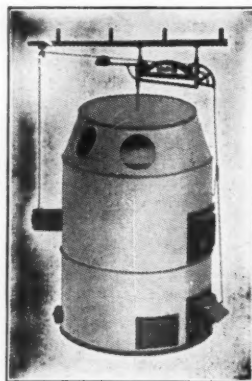
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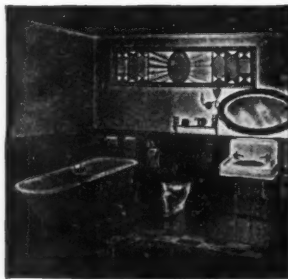
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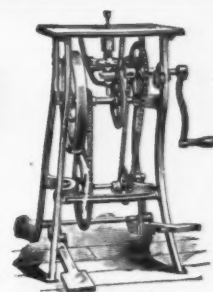


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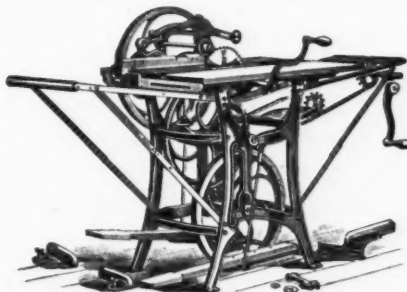
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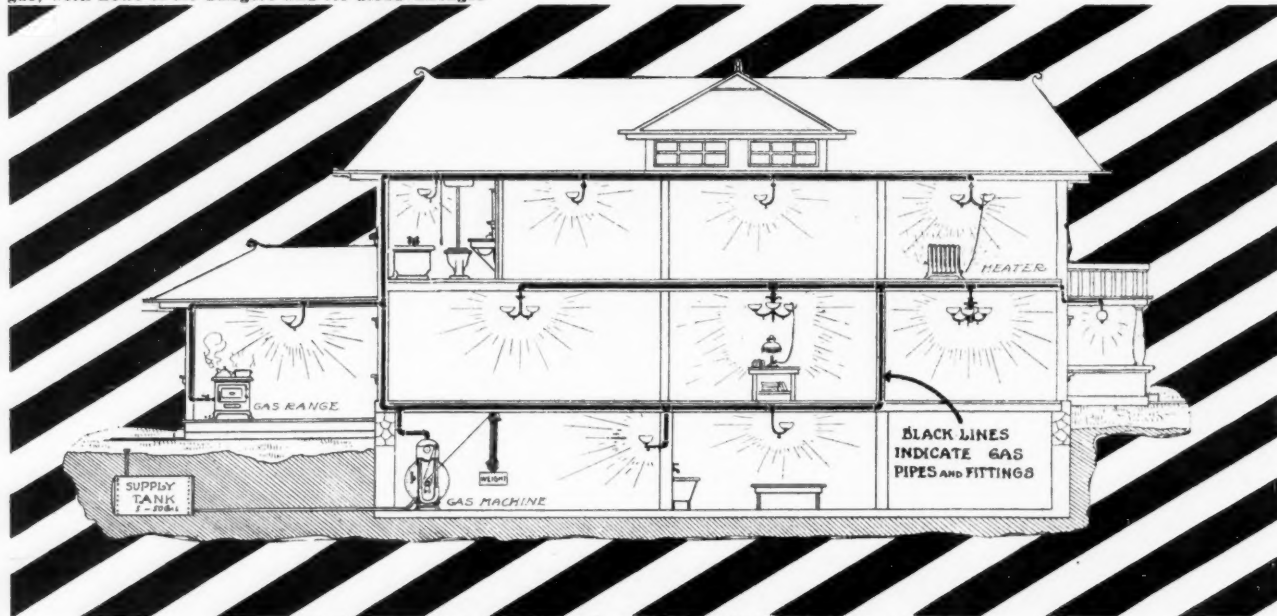
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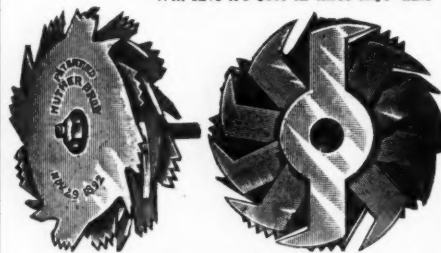
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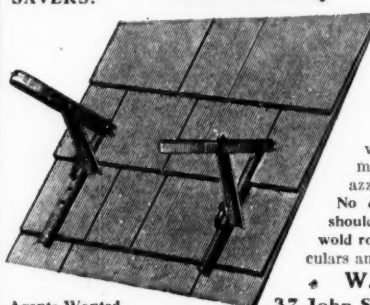
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THE man who stood still! You **pass** him on the street every day. If you take one moment now, you can easily recall at least **one man** who reminds you of this picture. Day after day he **follows** in the same **groove**. In good health and in bad he has **got** to work. Growing older and older, he sees ahead no relief from the ceaseless toil that he has known all through his life. There is no opportunity for him to cease for a **single day** the everlasting "humdrum" that he has known for so long. **He is the man who stood still.**

¶ When he had the chance he failed to seize it. He allowed other men, no smarter, no abler, no better than he, to **crowd him out**. One by one his fellow workers passed him by to better and more profitable work. They left him **always standing** on the threshold of success. But they left him **behind**. He heeded not the beckonings of opportunity. **He is the man who stood still.**

¶ And now at sixty, at seventy or at eighty years you may see him any day if you care to look—a good carpenter, a good builder, a good contractor perhaps—but **that's all**; good in the sense that he can do certain things simply because he has done the same thing **over and over again**—but not good enough to try the new difficult work, the modern up-to-date jobs; the kind that **pay good money**. No, he cannot do these things—he **never learned how**. **He is the man who stood still.**

¶ You don't want to stick to the plane, the saw and the hammer all your life. If you are a contractor or a builder don't you want **bigger** work than just barns, sheds and now and then a house or two?

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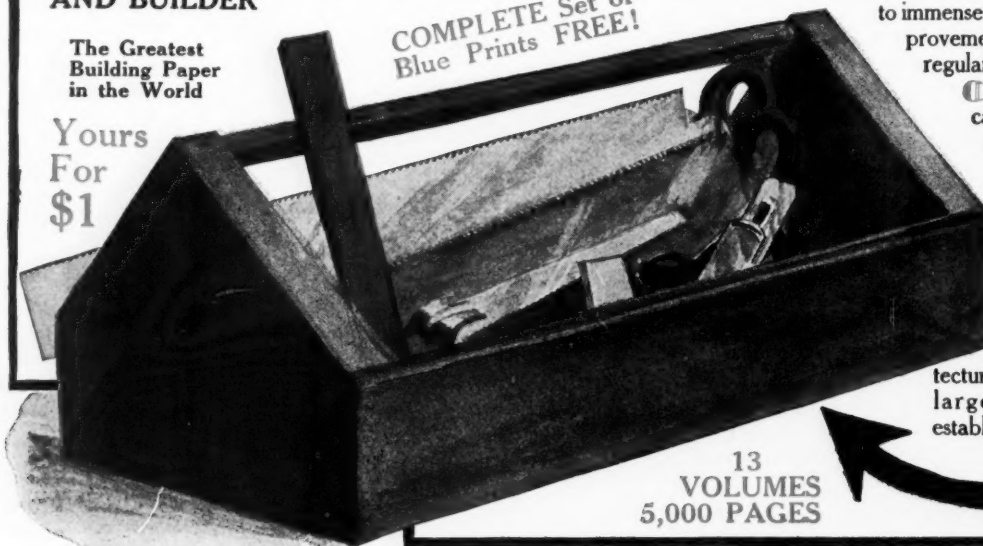
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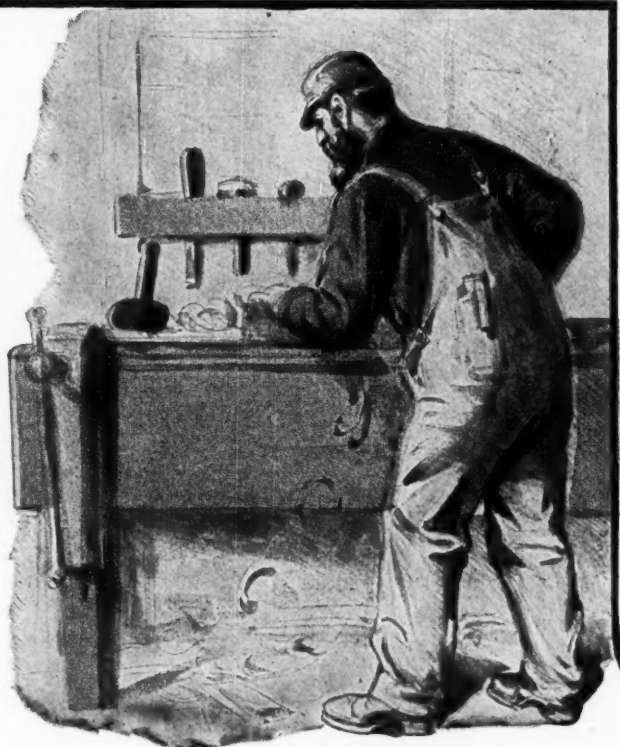
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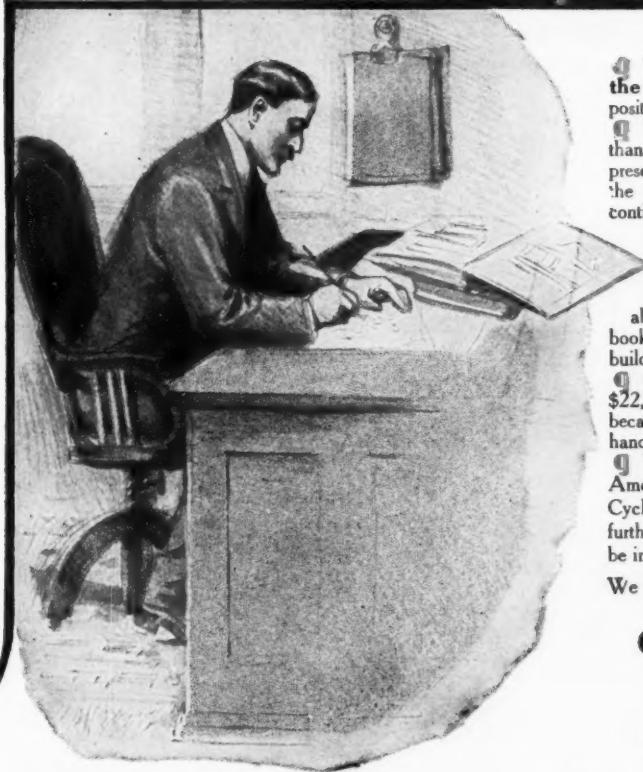
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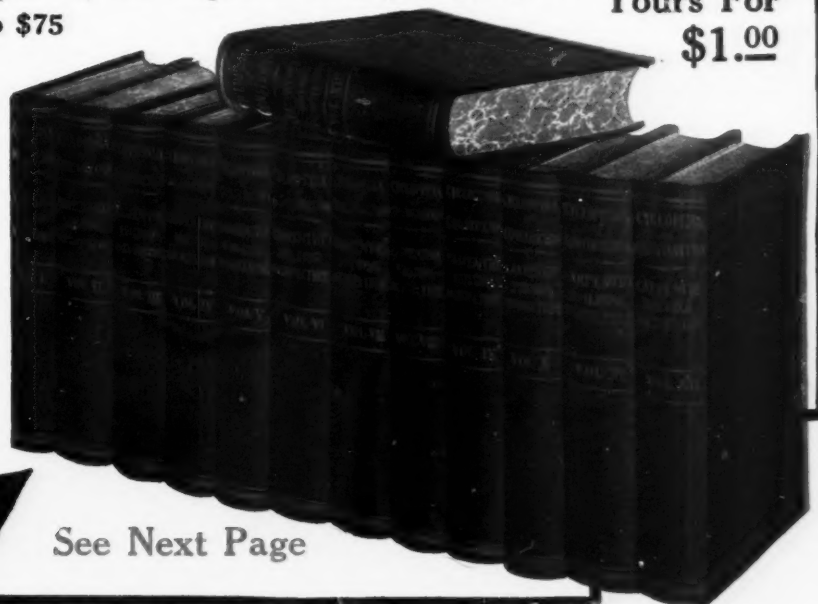
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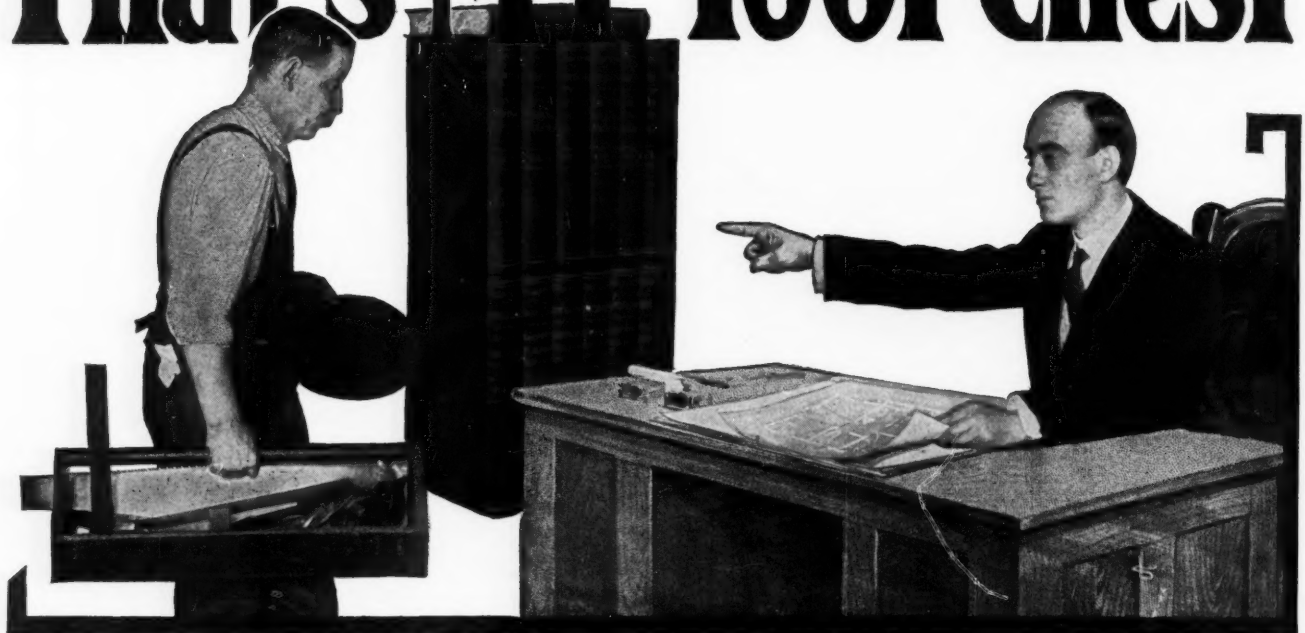


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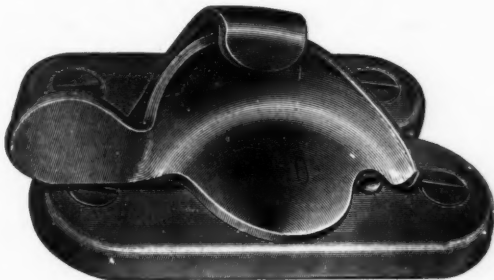


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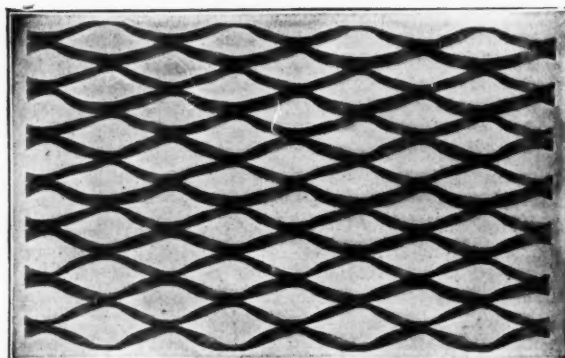
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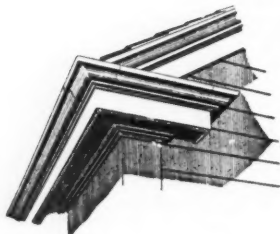
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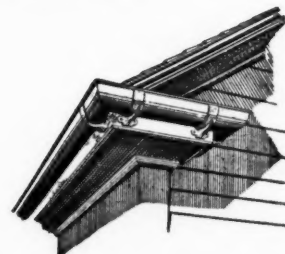
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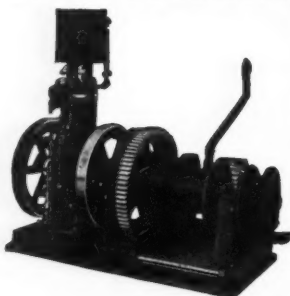


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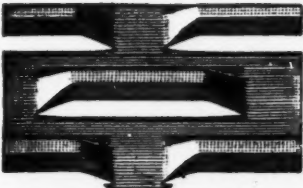
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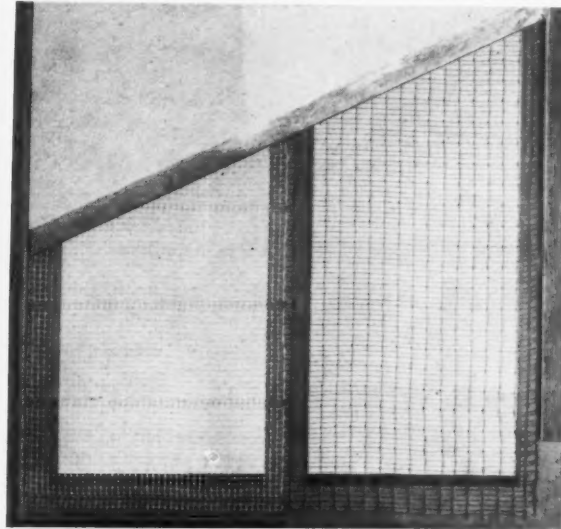


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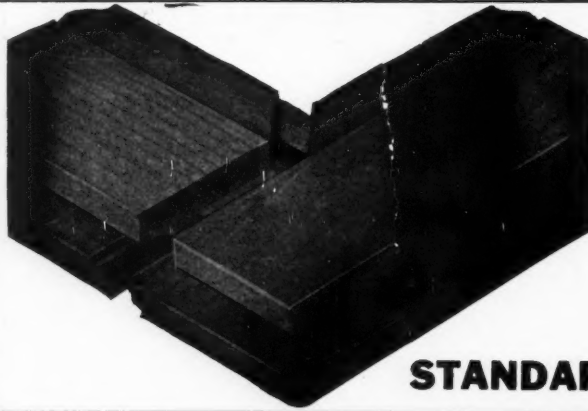
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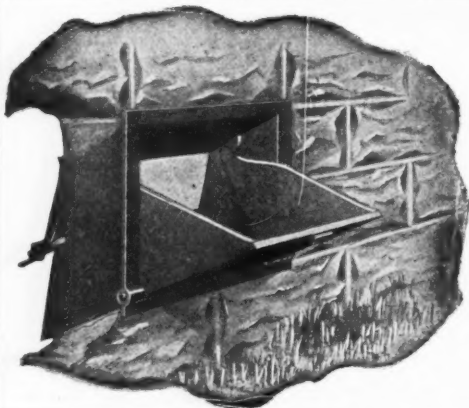


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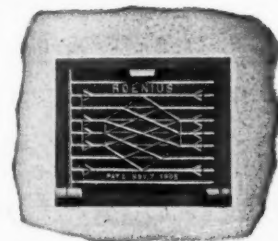
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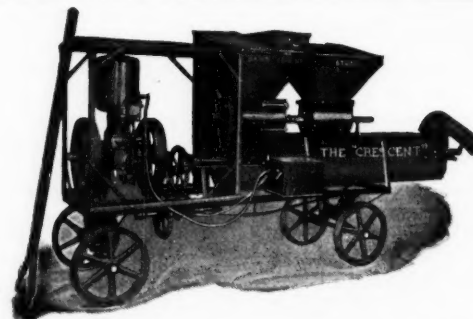
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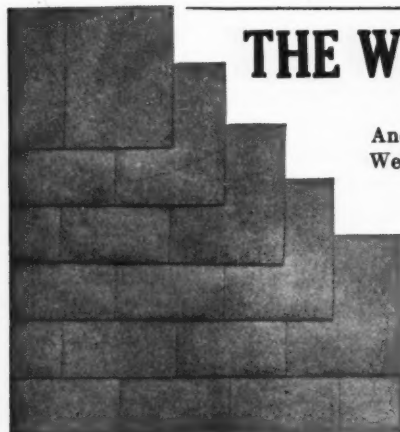
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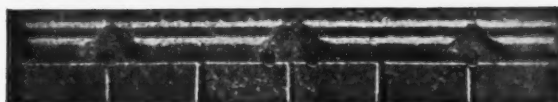
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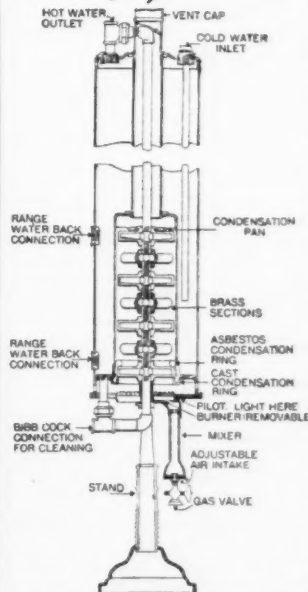


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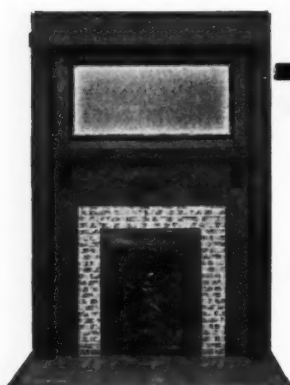
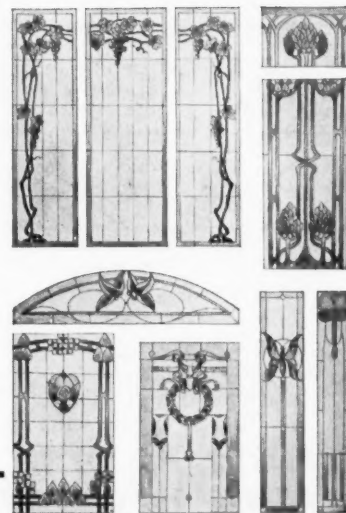
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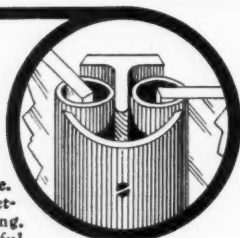
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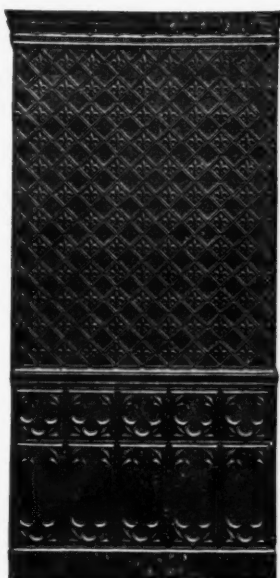
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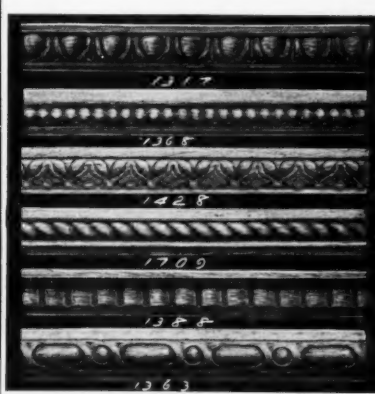
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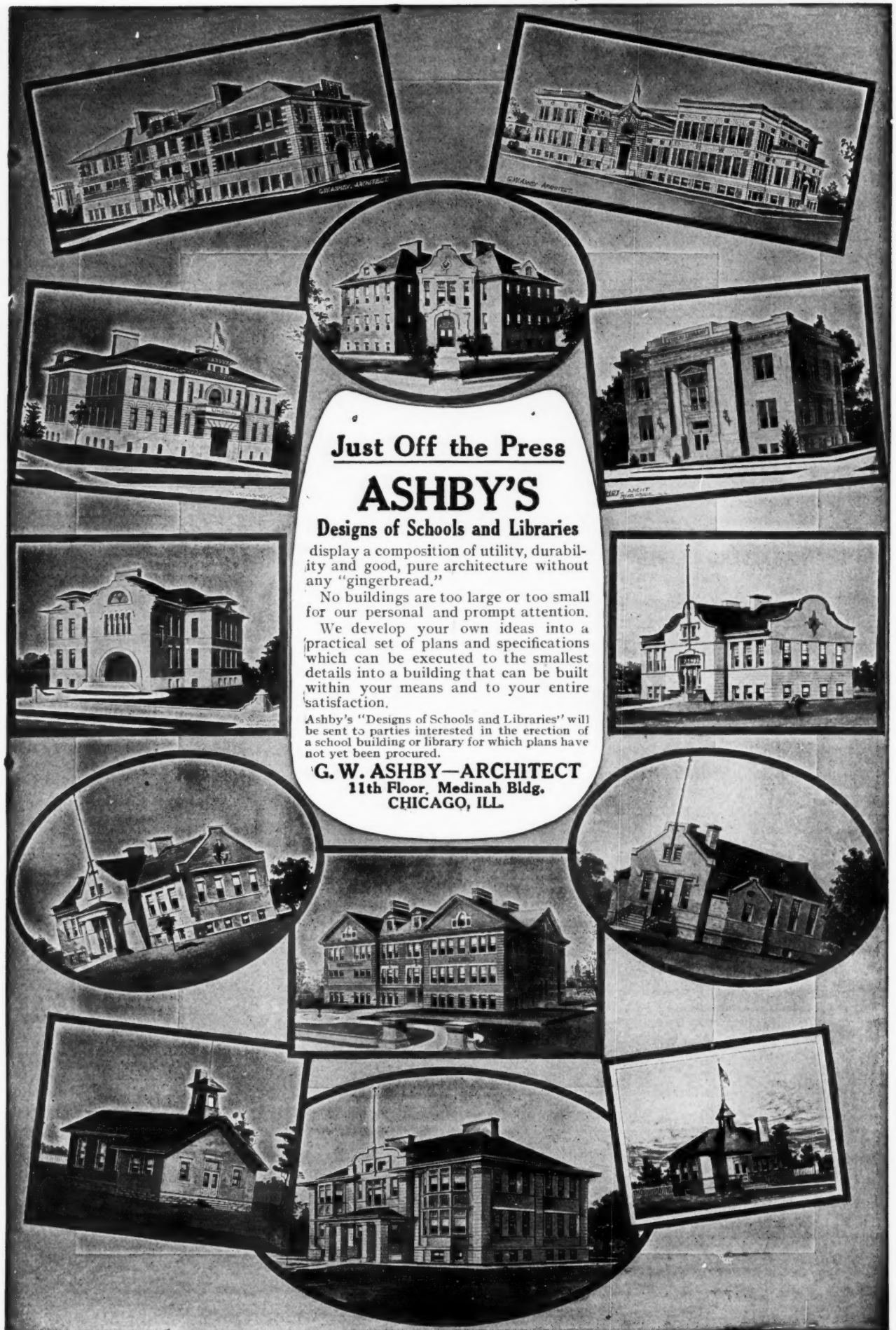
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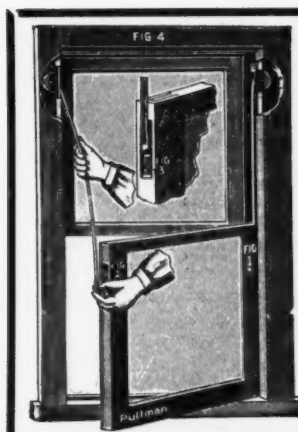
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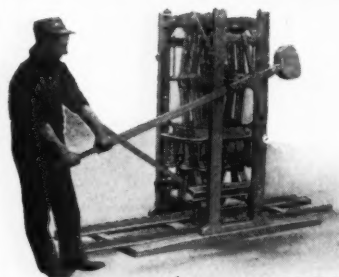
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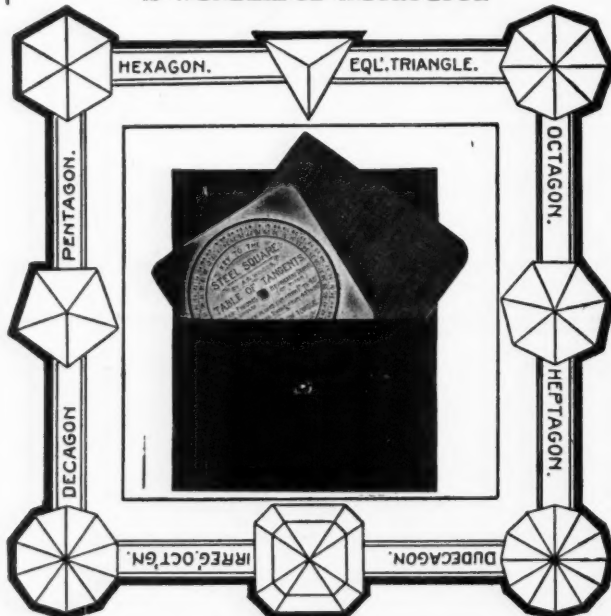
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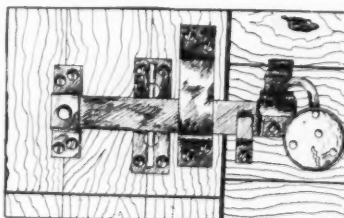
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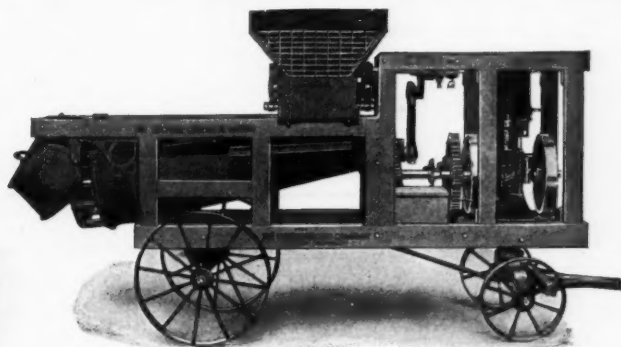
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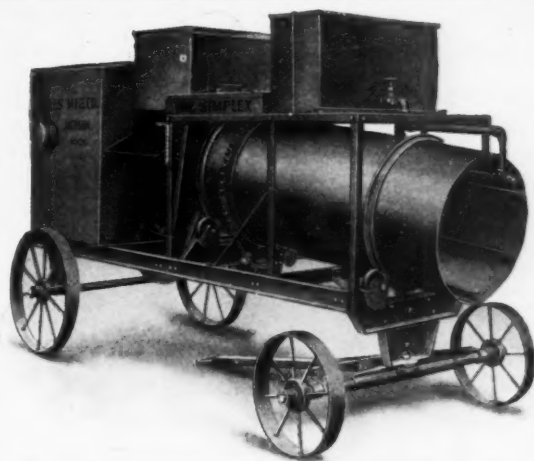
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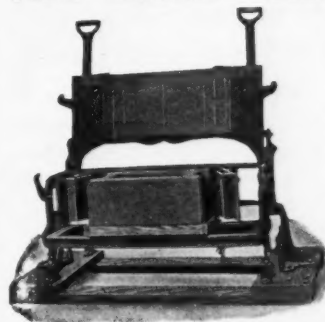
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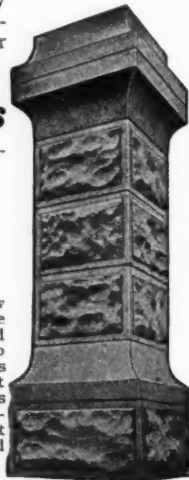
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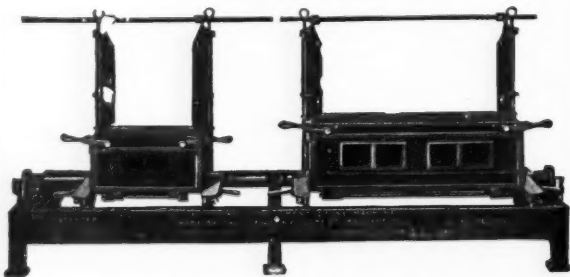
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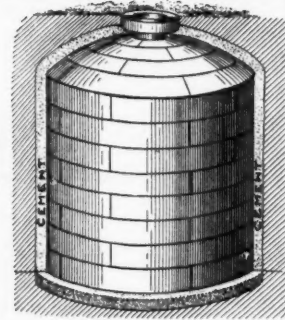
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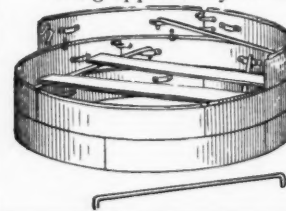
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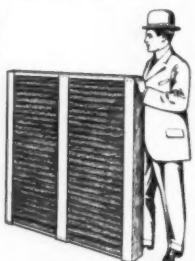
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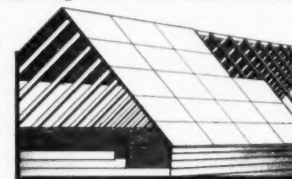


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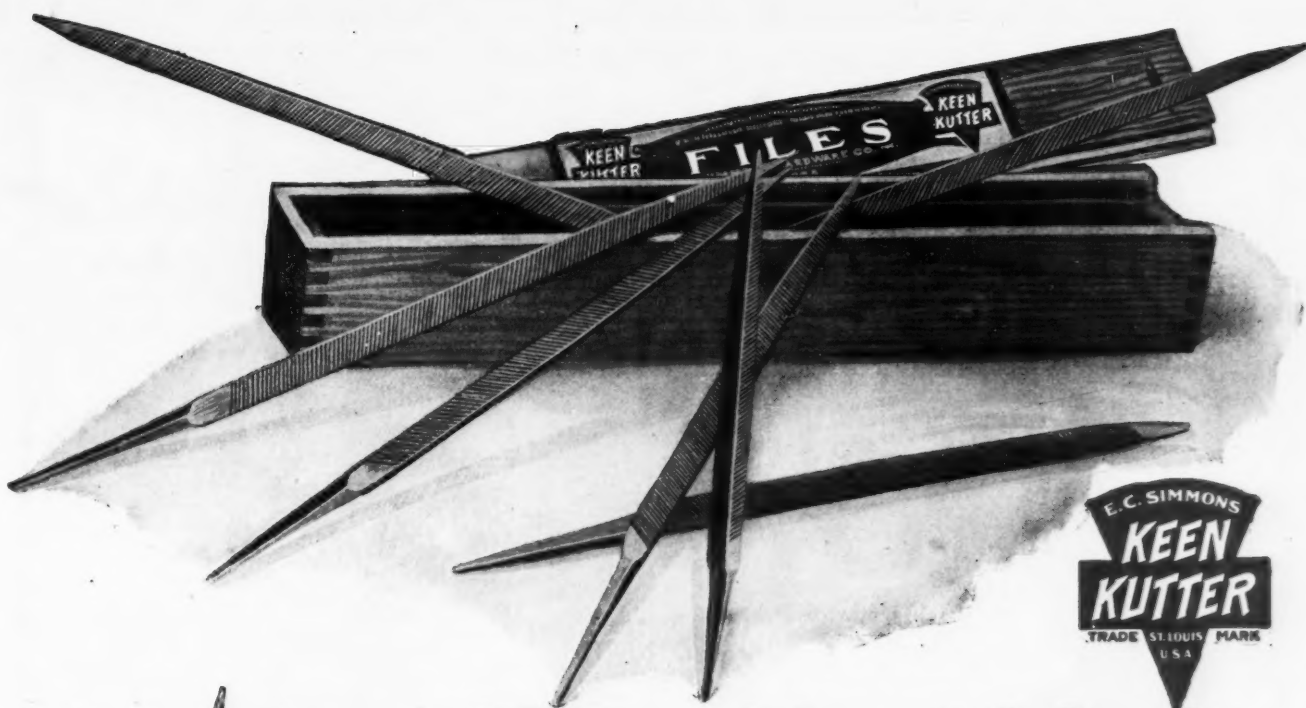


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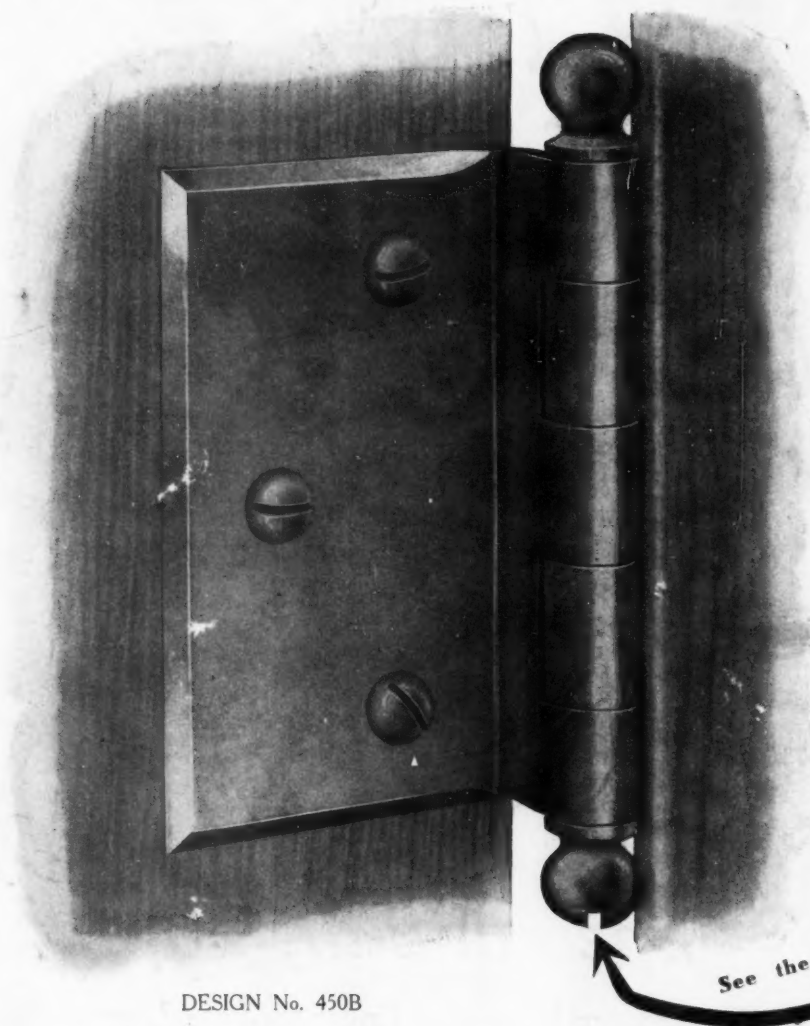
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